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Presented by C. E. Bayes, Esq.
December, 1943.

Wine and Liquor in Cellar at Newtown.

31. May 1842.

Brandy. . . . 4 Bottles
 Hollands. . . . 6 . .
 Sherry. . . . 22 . .
 South. Port. . . . 37 . .
 Portac. . . . 76 . .
 Madeira -

Diary 1844.

April.

15. Drove into town and back.
16. Walked in and out with Henry.
17. do. do.
18. do. do.
19. Sent Fletcher's acceptance for £53 and
 20£ in addition for James and re-
 quested that he would place £5 acc.
 to my credit. vizt. £65 due 22th.
 Walked in and out with Henry.
20. Drove in and out.
21. At home in the morning read prayers & kept.
 afternoon walked with Henry around by
 Devereux Park. Saw the auction at her
 Moorings. Made a slight sketch of her birth.
22. Walked in and out with Henry.
23. Rode the mare. Reached the office before
 ten. Took my seat as Commissioner at the
 Cavalry Board. Saw Robt. Swanston who
 ret^d last week from Port Philip. Bungey
 called in and bored me for above an hour.
26. Walked in and out with Henry. Purch.
 hand at work drawing Manure and Fe
 for the head dock nearest Pitt Cairns.

walked in and out alone - Dined
 with Scott and Dayman at the 26. 27 April.
 Senatory. At Church in the forenoon
 with all the Children except Baby 28.
 Walked in and out with Henry 29
 Saw Dickens for half an hour or more.
 Applied for three weeks leave of absence 30.
 Saw Dickens walked in and out.
 Looked Fleming on my way home -
 Fine fresh morning walked in and out 1 May
 with Henry.
 Received a Dividend of £ in the Poind 2 on
 from the Colonial Bank £60 Dined with Bidman
 Recd my salary for the last month. 3 ^{Dr. Turnbull.} ^{Feasor}
 Capt. Cromarty who had come out in ^{Must.}
 Command of the Equestrian, called ^{Officer.}
~~upon~~. He had brought a severe asthma
 with him all the way from England
 Went on board with him to look at
 his ship. It seems he quarrelled with
 Dr. Wilson at Sydney after he sailed
 from there in 1834 about the payment
 of some money which he had lent
 Wilson who when called upon for the
 amount previous to Cromarty's departure
 declared his inability and shuffled
 and bullied till the Skipper told him
 if the money was not forthcoming in

an hour he would certainly arrest him.
 This was Cromarty's story but I know he
 stood in such awe of the Doctor that it
 must be taken cum grano sales. He
 gave me two London papers of the 27 Aug.
 Walked in and out
 4 do do.
 5 At home in the morning - Afternoon walked
 up to the Church with Henry but the rain
 commenced at 3 o'clock and we were
 consequently half an hour too late.
 6 Rode the horse.
 7 Walked into Town - Called upon and
 saw the Lt. Governor. Cromarty looked
 in he was suffering severely from his
 asthma or whatever it is. Saw Dickens.
 8 At home till 2 1/2 writing memos for a
 Despatch to the Secretary of State. Then
 walked into Town. Signed warrants and
 other papers - walked up to ~~Proctor's~~
 Proctor's where I dined. Dickens of the
 Lecture. party. Evening went in a cab to Proctor's
 Lecture and finally walked home. The
 night was very dark.
 9 Saw Dickens - conferred upon several
~~Ordinary~~ subjects. Walked in and out a beautiful
~~pleasant~~ day - Cloudy morning but it cleared up
~~before noon.~~ before noon.

Walked in and out with Henry Pickens 10 May
 told me that the next day he was going to
 spend ~~some~~ with Sir Sandley at N. Norfolk.
 and then he intended to go up as far as
 Andbury. I did not go into Town - At One 11
 attended an Auction of some Farming stock
 and implements at Cuckers. I bought a small
 scumming machine for £2.5. and nothing
 else. At home in the morning - Afternoon 12.
 at Newtown Church. Read the morning
 prayer and lessons - Sent Fletcher 18 13
 Bushels of Best Lammes Wheat. Brought
 Henry into Town with me in the chair. *Went to
Fletcher*
 It rained for three hours and then held
 up. Sir Sandley returned from N. Norfolk
 about 2 o'clock - Pickens will not be back
 till Thursday - Foster called in to show
 himself after six weeks absence. It
 rained steadily from 7 or 8 o'clock in the
 evening till past midnight. Wet and 14
 frosty in the morning. but it cleared up
 and I drove into ^{town} - Coming down the last
 hill not far from the 2^d Mile Stone Pinder
 fell forward upon his knees and face after
 a momentary struggle I knew him up
 upon his legs and we proceeded home.
 I found he had rather a deep cut upon
 one knee which indeed was all the injury

he had received - than the wound bathed
 with salt and water and a wet cloth
 tied loosely round it the next day
 Rain 15 at home and upon the rain the whole
 day - heavy showers throughout the day I
 fixed the Winnowing Machine and found
 it answer very well - but it requires ano.
 ther screen.
 16 at home all day - gave Henry his lessons
 and then went to work upon the Queries.
 17. Walked into Town Pickens returned -
 I saw him - he spoke of Sir E's great country
 and fondness for the younger part of the
 fair sex - I saw his wife and one or
 two other ladies were staying at the Lodge
 cottage - Sir E. had succeeded in esta-
 blishing a friendly understanding with
 the girls. Sat on the sofa with them and
 occasionally condescended to pass his
 arms round their necks - They seemed to
 enjoy these little innocent familiarities
 amazingly
 Rain and Snow. 18 At home all day - Employed upon the
 Queries except when looking out of windows
 at the Rain and Snow - The hills were
 all covered with almost down to Sir E. Pinder
 at Newland.

Read a few Chapters in the Bible and then 19 May
walked into Town in the hope of finding
some further materials for answering the
Queries but was disappointed - The Bats
and Bailey are coming up fast. The interior
our paddock begins to look quite green.
Rode Hopsom into town - He was not 20.
looked after as well as usual. Walker,
the hupenger being absent on matrimonial
business. Saw Picheno - made considerable
progress with the Queries. At the office till
past five. Picheno asked me to meet the Cath. Bp. at
lunch tomorrow. I declined.

There are 1880 of my ordinary paces to a
mile which is about the proportion of
 $\frac{1760}{10000} = \frac{44}{47}$. This is the result of two trials
and the second mile on the Newtown Road
so that 1094 paces are equal to 10.68 Paces
20 " " " " 21.36
50 " " " " 53.40
100 " " " " 106.8
1000 " " " " 1068. *Yes*

Walked into Town with Henry 21
Walked in and out alone 22.
Rode Hopsom. Evans dined with us 23
Walked in with Henry. Took him to the 24
Sp. House and placed him in the Anteroom
so that every person proceeding to the Lever
passed before him. Although he, of course,
knew a great number of the papers by - he
says they were all so intent upon the August

May 24 ceremonies immediately before them that
they hurried neither to the right nor to the left.
Queen's Birth Day) Sir Eardley walked about with us all things
The Rooms prepared for the evening display
and then took us to show Henry the Emu
and Kangaroos - and also a Native Dog
met Dr. Jones on my way home and
made him promise to come out and see
me before the ship sailed. "The Vineyard"
It is said she sails on Thursday next

25 Rode Hopsom in and out. Left a card
for Dr. Wilson the Roman Catholic Bishop
and another for the Vicar General with
whom he is staying. Saw Driscoll and
settled with him about my acceptance
due on Monday by giving him £100
in cash and my acc^t for £40. 2. 3 at
10 days. With Mr. Picheno every day
this week except Wednesday.

26. At home all day. Reading and hearing
Henry read &c.

27 Walked in and out.

28. Rode in to attend the Caveat Board at 60.

29 do do do do

30 do do do do

31 Rode out with Picheno as far as the turning
out of Picheno's Lane to the Rindon Road.

Rode over the farm with Richens having / June
 met him at my own gate at the Caveat
 Board in the morning. At home walked 2
 over the farm - Read prayers & lessons of the day.
 Rode in and out. On my return the rain 3
 came down in torrents and it blew a
 heavy gale. With the late Atty. Gen. Fraser,
 and the Fletchers were to have dined with
 us. only the latter came. Walked into 4
 Town Lake - Finished answers to Quereis
 and sent them to the Post Office to go by
 the "Kiamee". She sailed the next day -
 Henry walked in with me & out. 5 Kiamee
 A good deal of rain in the night Rode 6 Sailed
 the horse in the and out - Walked in 7 Rain.
 and out lake - Rode & lessons - The "North
 Star" sailed. Saw Stephen Piddar and 8
 Richens. At home all day. leading
 Prayers and lessons. 9
 At home all day. My leave of absence com- 10
 menced. Attending to Henry. Shot 2 dogs.
 of Parrots. At home - Henry's lessons - 11
 Afternoon fishing with Edward Charles
 and Henry. Called upon Sir J. Piddar 12
 and left a card at Capt. Booth's. Richens
 called upon me in the meantime.

13. Attending to Henry every morning for two
 or three hours. Fishing with Henry and Charles.
 14. Afternoon walked Saw Richens into town
 Saw Richens. Henry with me - Beautiful
 weather.
 15. A beautiful sunny morning. after a heavy
 white frost. In the afternoon rode Red Clay
 twice round Duwent Park. Met Swanton
 who said he was going to meet Mr. Richens
 at the house by appointment. That Mr. R.
 was very anxious to take the place and that
 I would like him much for a tenant. As
 I got near home I met R. and urged him
 on to keep his app't. with Swanton.
 16. A fine sunny morning but cold. Mary
 and all the children except Baby gone to
 Church. I attended the afternoon Service
 In the evening heard Elizabeth read a
 Chapter in the Old Testament.
 17. Attending to Henry and drawing. In
 the evening heard Henry and the girls
 read. I am forced to confess that Eliza-
 reads better than either of them. Writing
 a letter in answer to one or two in the
 Advertiser. respecting Docking of Salaries.
 18. Sent my Pro. Note for £500 to Drum.
 Made a sketch from the ground in front
 of the house. upon a prepared board for
 oil painting. Attended to Henry.

Pictures of
 Country & the
 Swanton
 Government

I laid on the fruit coloring upon the
 picture I drew yesterday. Attended to
 Henry & read them all read in the
 evening. A cold morning and it
 continued to rain and snow with a
 little intermission through the day.
 At 8 in the evening the snow was lying
 on the ground - and on Woodwork it
 was an inch or two thick. Drawing
 the large view from the corner of the
 paddock near the ^{two} large trees. The
 color was not dry upon the fore-
 ground of the picture. Saw Henry
 his sons and Mary also who
 could not go to school on account
 of the weather. In the evening amused
 myself with the Violin and Swift.
 Drawing - Attended to Henry & Mary. 21
 Dr. Bedford sent a bill about a mistake
 in presenting a bill for £66. 4. at his Bankers
 which was paid - instead of passing it to my
 account as it ~~was~~ included in another bill
 of his. in my favor. Violin in the evening. Very
 cold with snow lying on the ground all the
 day and evening.
 Wrote to Henry & Mary. Wrote and gave him
 permission to put up some leaping bass
 upon the farm. Sent Bedford a Cheque
 for £66. 4. - Drizzly morning. 22

19 June
 A little
 Rain

20.
 Rain
 and
 Snow

23. Sunny at intervals - Mary and the Children
 at Church. Afternoon I walked over to the
 farm with Mary and Elizabeth and all
 round the shore. In the evening and night
 we had some heavy rain. The pond in the
 garden is nearly full and the water is
 steaming down the furrows of the Pat.
 Patch. Wrote to Fletcher for his bill and
 sent it to the Commercial Bank requesting
 the proceeds to be placed to my credit. Sent
 Edward a Cheque for £2.8 for Cowell £1
 for himself and 12/- for house - requested
 Lewis to whom I also wrote to procure me £30
 or £40 by Friday next. Sent him my bill.
 Drawing after hearing Henry.
 25. In Town before 10 o'clock to attend the
 Cavendish Board. We did not separate till
 3 o'clock. I saw Mr. Dickens for a moment
 only - Rode the horse in and out.
 26. In Town by 9 1/2 Attended the Board till
 noon and then at my office in the usual
 way till past four. I went in and returned
 in a cab. Evening attending to Henry &
 afterwards played some of Pleyel's
 Quartetts with Mr. Dickens for two hours.
 27. Rode the horse in and out. Weather improved
 I did not see Dickens.
 28. Rode the horse. At the Cavendish Board. The case
 postponed at Allport's request so that I had

Heavy
 Rain

Heavy
 Rain all
 day and
 evening.

Raining
 with
 few
 interruptions

Continued
 Rain

Clear
 Still Hazy

Fine, Sunny
White frost.

29

20. 40 168
 10 " 160
 5 " 1061

Post Office.

Time Sugar
Feed.

35
46
81

30 Light
Hunt

18

1 July
at Fane, High

From

2 Same
Weather

3.

country
and
damp.

Received a letter from Winifred announcing the death of poor John who died on the 31 January last. All the rest of the family well - The letter was dated 14 February - Attended to Henry yesterday

and (so say) before I went to the Office.
Rode in and out. The S^t. Gov^t. sent for me
to see about the ...

He told me that Maclean had been frightened
Elliott about his own true Wauwats, &c.

the loans to our Treasury chest. I rode
part of the way with Pickens. He told me

that Burgess and Price had called upon
the fact or upon him, to complain of

Forshers encroachments upon their police
territory - Burgers ran away from the

Subject unto all kinds of degressions.
About Sir James Graham, Lord Stanley

and, as usual, the Perryman could
belay. I did not hear the end of the story.
I left the house, but did not

approve. I paid my Tailor's bill to this date and ordered a waistcoat and a pair

of thousands. Wrote to Watbourn & he didn't
Rode in and out. Mr. Richards came 2 miles

on the road with me - On a tour with Miss
Curry and Looker - Subject - Price now changed

by the Comm. for treatment of free pauper patients
in Colonial Hospitals.

attended to Henry at home all day -

Cold stormy day. Snow with a 21 July.
 few occasional gleams of sunshine. At
 home all day. Reading. Have sown
 20 acres of barley & the fattest paddock
 4 do Oats. near the sheep fold - Stormy
 14 do Wheat } In the largest paddock. Rain and
 11 " Oats } Snow
 4 1/2 " Rape. } Paddock betw. Farm & home.
 2 1/2 " Barley }
 3 " not ploughed.

2 - Sunday - Yesterday I
 gave Thomas warning to leave promising
 him a good character and to get him a
 place if I could. Within the last two or
 three days. I have read Mrs Abell's Acc't
 of Bonaparte's residence at the "Prison"
 his father's residence in St. Helena. He
 said of Law and Lawyers. "The practice of
 the Law was too soon an ordeal for poor
 human nature, and that he who habituated
 himself to the distortion of truth and to Napoleon
 exaltation at the success of unjustice, will Lawyers
 at last hardly know right from wrong."
 and he might have added, truth from
 falsehood. I cannot believe that a Lawyer
 with his every day practice continued for
 years, can be an honest man. The moral
 principle must be subverted.

July 22. Route into town and out. The meeting of the
 South West Council put off till tomorrow. Late at the Office
 Ice Cold Sun.
 23 Rode in. 10 o'clock at the Caveat Board. At two
 at the Council. After the other business had been
 Sun. disposed of the Govt read his Finance Minute.
 24 Rode in and out. Richens began with his Bill
 Rain for and got through it as far as the end of the
 Thomas. Civil Establishments. The Govt was glad to
 get away and responded accordingly before 5.

25 Richens finished at the Caveat Board
 Whiteport his Estimates. He was a good deal hurried
 Sun. in consequence of his not having had them
 printed; there was plenty of confusion ensuing.
 Walked in and came home with Summerson.

26 Rode in and walked out. Edw. took the
 Sun. home. At the Caveat Board for another
 27 Walked in late with Amy. Court two hours
 Clear, at the Office got through all the papers and
 Still, Sun. then walked home. A beautiful day.

Richens called upon me at the time I
 was waiting to see him at the Office. When
 upon sending up to know if he was at leisure.
 Graham said he was gone. The two or three
 last evenings I have been reading The Hook's
 Jewish Club

28 Mary and the Children went to Church. Baby
 White and I remained at home. In the afternoon
 Frost. Richens called out his chair and Robert to
 Dub. Cloudy take me into town. Sir Caudley had been making
 some important alterations in the Estimates.

a good was necessary to be done in consequence
 He told me in his note that skull was with him
 at work. I got ready and proceeded accordingly.
 I dined and remained with him till 10.
 and then his servant drove me as far as the
 turning from the high road to Kesson there
 I got out and walked the rest of the way. It
 was a beautiful night.

29 July
 Walked in to the Council. Got through with our
 business and in evening adjourned not till
 11.30. I rode out with Swainston. He told
 me of Mr. Willis who was the head of firm
 of that name having just come out to this
 place. He has lost 200,000 £ by the misconduct
 chiefly of his Agents A. Garrett here and
 some man at Sydney. by ~~some~~ the latter
 to the extent of £70,000. He says he shall
 not proceed against Garrett on account of his
 family but his conduct has been most
 shameful. He and his coadjutor in inquiry
 at Sydney had no authority from the firm
 to act in any other capacity than Agents
 to sell upon commission. They abused the
 trust reposed in them. Speculated with the
 property of their principals and brought
 other ruin upon the house. The old partner
 man says he is weary of everything, nothing
 left for his support.
 Walked in and out. It rained all the way 30 Rain
 home. Slept the office very late and to my

Saunders Fletcher overtook me on the top of the
 Hill
 31 Walked in. It was a beautiful day. I rode out
 greatest part of the day with Swainston. The
 mercury this day stood higher in the tower
 than I had ever seen it to the best of my recollection.

34.65-
 August 1 Barometer same. Beautiful clear frosty
 weather. Walked in and out.
 White 2 Walked in. Dined with Fraser. Met Sir E. Esdaile,
 Frost Sunny - Foster, Maclean, Barnes and Burnett. A
 Traders dinner. Dinner of which I won 4 Shillings. Came home
 in a cab. before 11 1/2.
 3 Light rain. Attended to Henry's business till late. Walked
 very little in, and out with Wootke who dined with
 us. Fletcher made up the fourth.
 4 Light rain. At home till near 3. Went out with the in-
 in night tention of going to Church. but it was too late.
 & running. Walked round by the village and Fletcher's
 home. Baby who has been ill all the week
 is a great deal better today and as the weather
 has been very mild, warm indeed, he has
 enjoyed himself in the open air.
 5 Drove Punch. On coming out I had some trouble to
 Li. rain in the keep him from running away. Bought a new bit
 morning fine for him. Saw Pickens part of the day I was at
 & sunny after. The new Customs house examining samples of stores.
 6 Clear. Rode the mare in and out. Dr. Carey called &
 dull cloudy. soon after looked up the Report of Board
 recommending 1/4 day instead of 1/4 for the

Hospital Charge for the treatment of Pauper Pat.
 at home all day attended to Henry for two or three J. Cloudy
 hours. - Walked in and out of town Saw Dickens ^{Provers}
 In the afternoon Lillie called upon him about ^{Henry's da-}
 repair of the mania for which he had made ap- ^{the cause of}
 plication. Dickens decided and properly upon ^{the day and}
 not acceding and a letter was put into his ^{evening}
 hands to that effect Lillie as he left the office
 communicating the St. Geo. decision. Lillie
 went the next morning to Sir Baillie with
 the letter in his hand when Sir Baillie said
 that he knew nothing at all about it and as
 I am given to understand turned up the corner
 of the letter and wrote an angry minute
 condemnation of Dickens' conduct. How
 very unlike a statesman this was, nay unlike
 a Governor, thus to betray the weakness of his
 Gov. for if union be strength disunion
 must be weakness. and certainly there can
 be no hope of a steady or effective administration
 when the two chief personages differ essentially
 in policy and take no pains to hide their
 want of ~~concord~~ unanimity.
 Walked in with Henry. Saw Dickens and he 9 Cloudy
 told me what had happened, but I had heard L. Showers
 it previously from Fraser. Walked in with 10 Rain
 Henry late. I recommended Dickens with ^{Afternoon}
 reference to what had recently happened to ^{Evening &}
 see the Governor officer that he has hitherto ^{night}
 done - to consult with him upon business
 when he can get Sir E. in the humour and to

Take his opinion upon all cases of any
 difficulty - but all went to be frequently with
 him. B thought the advice good and promised
 to take it - Hope he will or there will be no
 chance against that unprincipled intriguing
 ambitious fellow Forster - to whose opinion
 Sir Baillie clings upon every occasion.
 Soon after Henry and I got into Town it began
 to rain - he came out in a cab.
 Rain. 11. Very rainy morning and the water came down
 all day in in considerable quantities all through the day
 Showers. None of the family could go to church - Read
 the evening service - After dinner heard the three
 children say the collect and read a chapter
 each - Elizabeth certainly reads the best.
 Sunny 12. Rode in and out - Met latter with Fletcher. He
 promised to dine with me this next day
 Cloudy 13. Rode the mare from home with Fletcher. He
 dined with us at 6 1/2 - We played a Rubber.
 Even Rain. 14. Wrote to Sir Baillie and gave him the Particulars
 of the Cropping of the Farm - Called upon
 Whitepar. Beautiful him soon afterwards with a Warrant that I
 wished him to sign. He was writing an invi-
 tation to dine with him on Saturday which
 I at once accepted. He had a tolerably large
 party I believe to celebrate the anniversary
 of his arrival here. He having been put ashore
 at Lagoon Bay on 17 Aug. 1843. Walked in and
 out. Bought a Black Mare at the Auction Co. Sale

The weather was so bad that I could not get into town - Attending to Henry with his horses. Sent Cowell into town to bring out my new harness which he did.

Rode the mare black up to the 7th Mile Stone and then into town. Edward rode her out and walked with Picheno and Fraser about the capence of the Gov. Printing. We decided to recommend that the present arrangement, being convenient and economical, should not be disturbed. Walked into town and out. Then rode the mare in followed by Cowell on the black. Dined at the office and dined at Gov. House. Present Barnes & wife, Belcher & daughter, Dyer & wife and 3 daughters, Foster and wife, Power and wife, Booth & wife, Picheno, Bailey, Mumaby and myself. Came home in a cab about 1/4 past 11 - The party including the W. Gov. and wife. Dr. Camp was 25. - None of the family could go to church.

Edward rode into town and brought out the key of my Treasury Box which I left at the Office last evening - Saw Picheno rode in and out. The two boys dined with me. Drove in and out ... 20. Early in town. Saw Picheno both days. - Called and left cards at Gov. House for Sir Sandley & the aide. Dr. Camp. They were gone to the West. At home all day. Picheno came out and sat an hour with me. Afterwards Mr. Bell & family, they took Mary into town with them.

25 At Church in the morning with Mary & Henry. Mr. Allport came out in the afternoon and conversed about for an hour.

Rolling 26. Walked in and out. Young sowed Graft seed in the paddock next the Gade and rolled it in.

27 Drove Edward in and out. with Picheno.

28 Drove in and out. Called at Mr. Bell's and brot. Mary out with me. At the Lavender Board yesterday and today.

29. Walked in and out with Henry. It rained all most all the way home. Sir John Padden joined us on our way in and again on our way out.

30. Before going into town I drove Henry & his dog. We took up Ferguson and brought him a pair of shoes - Bought some things at the Ant. Comp.

31 Drove Henry in and out. Got a side saddle for little Mary. £3. It was bought at the Ant. Comp.

1 The most beautiful day we have had for several months. At Church with Henry, Edw. Charles and their families. Afterwards drove into town and talked an hour with Picheno. On Friday morning a ship arrived from England the 7th May. Yesterday while I was up stairs with Picheno. Austrey called and left a card at the Office - Henry saw him. Picheno lent me - Capt. Hall's Schlop. Hanfield to read.

2nd Saw Austrey - He could not come out to see me as he was to start for home the next morning. He intends to quit this country for England in the spring. Recd my salary for the last month.

3rd Recd a dividend of 2/6 in the pound upon Bank of India. £240. Ordered Robert for another case of

Grey sent me a new coat.

Sherry from the Auction Company - It purchased
 is very fair wine and having been bottled a few days
 before it was bright & got it for 10/2 a doz
 but it became quite clear by standing a
 few weeks - Saw Mr. Pickens -
 I have driven punch into town every day since the 30th. inclusive
 being Kwatt's was very troublesome &c &
 had a sun boil. and of course could
 not attend to his lessons. A Prison Ship
 coming up the Parvosa -
 Fritz brought me home a new pair of
 trousers. I drove Edward into town
 the Parvosa left Exeter about the
 8th May - No news and for as no letters -
 Fine the 1st of June - The Book
 Pickens lent me last Sunday
 at home. The weather not promising
 enough to induce me to go to Church all
 the family at home. I heard three of the
 Children read two Chapters of Kings and
 two of the Gospel of St. Matthew - At home
 all day looking after the sale at the farm. Sherry
 came out about 12 1/2 and went to work a little
 after 1. It was over between three there were sold
 two horses, one cow, four cows and their calves,
 a plough, pair of harrows, Roller Mower &c
 Machine, sack of Hay - Bread &c & several other
 one hundred & thirty bags of flour &c &c.

Cherry Pickens
 41 letters

Sept. 10. Walked into town and out with Henry
 Fine. a ship coming up the "Pistonee" Bonanza
 with hoops.

Squally but fine. 11. Walked into town with Henry.
 Heard of the arrival of the Officers to relieve
 Scott and Dayman - May intend used me to
 Mr. Simpkinson - one of the two and Lady Frank
 nephew. / Sir Cuddey sent for me to speak
 about Bishop Willson's Allowances during
 his absence. Charles Willson's pay going on
 while he is at Lancaster about to join his Regt.
 He assured me that his Secretary was as useful
 to him at Lancaster as he ever was at Hobart.
 and in the same way as I am.
 Which I believe! He has another son coming
 out to take Charles' place. He also spoke some
 about his own salary. getting the difference
 from the date of his arrival - &c Reading Rev.

Fine, till 12. With Henry walking in and out. See Pickens
 every day. The little horse punch hand at town
 bringing in turnips - Walked in by Gov. Garden

Whiteport Calum running 13. Walked in alone Henry was to follow
 with his mama and sister who were going to
 prep. the day with Mr. Bell. Came home in a lab
 with many children & nursemaid -

Cloudy - a little rain 14. Before I went to the office took some
 Henry & Edward Park upon the "Hudson" I
 walked out with Henry. Edw. rode to home
 home - Called upon Mr. Smith & Simpkinson -

15 At home till 2. attended the afternoon service
 saw the same as before. Grand Henry and

Friday - Walked in and out of Town after 16 Sept.
 giving Perry his lesson. Took up the Carpet in
 the large dining Room and swept the Sacks
 of Wheat upon the Floor. Rain came on in the
 evening - Heavy continuous Rain. The garden 17 Rain
 overflowed - at home all day. Attending partly Heavy
 to Perry - Drove in. Went to the Legislative 18 Rain
 Council at 2. We were not occupied more than
 an hour and half. The roads in a wretched
 state. Miserable looking morning. Drove 19 Drizzle
 in and out. At the Legislative Council. Rain.
 Same weather - Drove in and out. At home. 20 do do
 by 5 1/2. Drove Perry in. Baby very ill. 21 Fine
 Elizabeth's birth day - purchased a small Sunny
 writing desk for her at Leggs - With Pichens
 every day. He told me that he had heard
 Sir E. had raised money upon a bill which
 he had got Power to enforce. If so there is an
 end of his ⁱⁿ dependence. It is quite possible
 that a ruddy man who had probably been
 reduced to many shifts to keep his head above
 water after sinking from his position in society
 felt no difficulty ^{or compunction} in having recourse to such
 a means of raising supplies - but an honorable
 high minded man would have shrunk from
 such a course as involving almost certain degra-
 dation, nothing could be much worse. Any other
 security than the guarantee of a public Officer
 under his own Administration ^{might} ~~would~~ have
 been, if not correct at least excusable.

Rain 22 - It rained from midnight - none of the family
 could attend Church which I particularly
 regretted as the Bishop is to preach this morning.
 at least so Bedford told me on Thursday or
 Friday - Baby much better.
 Cloudy 23. ~~Weather~~ ^{Storm} in and out. At the Legislative Council
 unsettled. The Atty Genl. ill with Rheumatism. Adjourned
 till Wednesday.
 Showery - 24 - Drove in and out. At the Cavendish Board
 Bright 25 - ~~Weather~~ ^{Storm} in and out. At the Legislative
 Sunny. Council - and previously at the Cavendish Board.
 Light sun. 26 - ~~Weather~~ ^{Storm} in and out. At the Legislative
 Clouds. Council. Drove in to dine with Pichens. Met
 Lillie, Turnbull, Officer H. S. W. Walker the Jacksons.
 Pichens and I went to Gov. House - a large
 party. I got back by 12 1/2. in a cab.
 Very fine. 27 - Walked in and out. Called at the House
 desired them to dis count The Acct^s. Compt^s. Ac^t. for
 £106. odd - Let a coming letter.
 Beautiful 28. ~~Weather~~ ^{Storm} in and out with Perry
 day. - Sent Sir Eardley a Cheque for £75. Baby
 Crocrot ill. Met Crocrot on my way home asked
 him to take a Mutton Chop with us. He came
 and remained till 11. Drove him as far as the
 apothecary - Called at Boeser with Pichens
 Beautiful 29. at home all day. None of the family at
 weather. Church. It came on to rain in the evening &
 continued through the night.
 Heavy 30. Heavy Rain all through the day. The heavens
 Rain we have had for years. At home all day.

Heavy Rain. I am at a loss to know how to get into Town. I am engaged to meet Count Polding at Richens this evening but I should feel much more comfortable at home. My cold is better but by no means well. I drove into Town and out with Edw. caused myself to Richens. Yesterday I examined two small pictures for him of Rathbones. Excellent fine. The weather - 2 Cleaning up. I drove in and out. Saw Richens twice. Left a cheque for my clay and an acceptance of Maedonell's at 3 Mrs. for £69.5. drawn by Bedford and sent me in payment of his quarter interest. Baby continues very poorly. A fine morning. 3 Went to the Optician School a note for Bedford enclosed in one to Dickinson requesting the forms to come down and see Baby - He came. Drove Henry in and out. Read's Sadnapole. 4 Fine. Drove Henry in and out. Read's Sadnapole. 5 Shower. Saw Richens. He has brought a picture for me and tells me that I am to have it at my own price. He waits for the Interior on Monday at 8 o'clock. Yesterday I said Geo. Young in full of all demands to the 29. Sept. 6 Fine. May the children at Church. Baby's skin is better. He is not in much pain except when awkwardly moved. At Church in the afternoon with Elizabeth and Henry. Got up at 6 and after an early breakfast joined Richens at the Club.

October.
 Heavy Rain.
 Could I have done more.

Heavy Rain.
 Fine morning.

Beautiful day.
 Fine morning.

Shower in a slight degree.

Summer.

who was on his way up the Country. Drove with him almost to the 9. Mile Stone and then returned by the New Norfolk Coach. Drove into Town with Henry. Attended to his lessons. Went to Books and brought out my picture in the chair in perfect safety. 8 At home all day - painting after having Henry's lessons. View from the seats in front of the house. Began a small picture of Southwicks Bridge. In the evening cleaning two of Richens's pictures Morland and Conner. Sent the Dukeys to a publisher in Elizabeths Street Seven Couple. 9. Drove Henry in and out. 10. At home all day painting either this day or the 11. 11. Drove in and out. Drove out to the left to Hatcher. 12. Rode as far as Reddown and round by Duns Park with Henry before breakfast. Drove into Town with Henry and got rid of all my papers. Then I did not return till the middle of the day. After returning to Kentown I drove Mary almost to the 4. Mile Stone and back before dinner. 13 - At home all day - Mr. James came home from Church with Mary and the children and interrupted me for an hour while painting. Before dinner read the prayers of the day. 14. Drove the man into Town. On mounting Cawell told me that he saw the man who comes here to see Eliza go away from the house about 5 1/2 this morning. Miss Fletcher and told him that boy of the 3 and 400. James left - It seems the man came off on Friday night last. Henry Wilkes lost £150 and sold £200!! while James John Russell & Sumner

pocketed. Henry was obliged to go to his father and
 tell his story when the Governor upon condition of his
 abstaining from quitting for the future or at least from
committing do gave him a cheque for the money.
 Poor South's creditors were obliged to put up with his
 promise to pay when he could. Police Officer J. Ruff
 drove in with Edward. Went to the police office.
 Examined Cowell - but as he did not see the man's
 face - ~~the~~ ^{the} could only conclude by his dress
 who he was. The magistrate was obliged to dismiss
 the case - declaring however his own perfect conviction
 that he was the offender. Heard of Mr. Cowell, being
 taken ill at Lancaster with inflammation of
 the lungs - and that ~~my~~ ^{the} real Dawling v. Boyes
 for libel was put off in consequence. Two ships
 came in from England last week. One left in July.
 Sir John Franklin and family had arrived &
 the former had had an interview with L. Stanley
 Edward rode out before breakfast with Henry
 and Henry on the heaves. Drove into Town with
 Henry. Saw the drafts of the ^{report} letters to Payson
 the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions respecting the
 visiting magistrate's report of the Duckfield's
 Factory - made enquiring for Felix Meuser the
 German student who has been instructing
 Bradlowell's children in German.

Drove Henry in and out of town. Mayes called
 upon me and made his proposal to attend & train
 alone. He was to instruct Montagu the Police
 Judge and his son and before I decided I wished
 to know what days Mayes was to be engaged
 with them. I took Charles with Henry into
 town with me. The little one was very much pleased but for

16 Beautiful day -

Cold and
 Showery
 High full moon
 with wind

18 Cloudy

Sengard Mayes
 3 lessons private pupil
 Tuesday, Wednesday
 & Friday -
 Some rain 20.
 in the night &
 morning.

Windy &
 Showery
 Windy &
 Showery.

~~and~~ can about the office, opened the drawers,
 used pens and pencils, asked others and questions
 and succeeded effectually in preventing Henry from
 attending to his lessons. Reading Waverley & then
 19. Blowing a gale - I preferred walking into town
 and out, in spite of two troublesome corns. Recd
 a letter from Mr. Dickins which I answered by
 the evening post. A letter had arrived for him in
 the evening post. A letter had arrived for him in
 the "Express" containing pictures, drawings & prints.
 Outlook Brunell. told him my distress. He thought
 recommended a trial of Scap plaster - a remedy
 which he found gave him immediate relief. The
 effect he said was almost magical. I lost no
 time in getting the material from Wilkinson &
 I am now soaking my feet preparatory to
 applying the plaster - On Friday I bought
 the Auction Company's sale.

6. Big White at 4/9 each £1. 8. 6
 3. Boys do - 3/- - - - - 9-
 2 Kidney do - 5/- - - - - 10 - 2-7. 6

I sent a cheque for the amount the same afternoon.
 "It is a ~~pleasure~~ derivable thing to be honored
 "with a seat at one of these boards, when the
 pleasure of saving the country is combined
 with other important gratifications, which, to
 render them the more acceptable, occur regularly once
 a quarter."

21. It was a very disagreeable day at home driving.
 Made a note to Dr. and requested him to place
 Fletcher out for £49 to my credit.
 22. Drove Henry and out. Mayes gave him his
 first lesson in German. He remained from 3 1/2 till

5 1/2 - He entertained great hopes from the
 specimen he had received that his new pupil
 would be a credit to him. He certainly found
 him ready and intelligent but little dependence
 can be placed upon any promise from a child
 at so early a stage and the words were probably
 words of course. Henry took a second lesson 23
 May 24 - Mr. Bickens returned in the forenoon 24
 He opened the box and examined the contents.
 what proved to be a fine drawing of Muller's
 Noice / a particularly effective sketch of two
 Spaniels. The black satin coat of one was quite
 perfect - an engraving from Voltaire's picture
 of Columbus explaining to the his expectations
 of another continent. to the prior of the convent
 of Aradida / a magnificent work / and a
 model of an oval about which there was something
 said in B's friend's letter which we could not see.
 partly interrupted - He gave me a set of bagpipes
 in the old fashioned style from Raphael's works
 in the Vatican Palace - The drawings are made by
 a first rate artist named "Condoni" - I showed
 many into Town and out - Henry walked in 25
 a disagreeable day. I was to have attended a
 Musical Society at W. Ray's but excused myself.
 At home all day - The Mountain was well 26. Rain &
 powdered with snow as low as 1500 feet from snow in
 the Summit - Miserable weather & expected squalls.
 Mr. Bickens to look at his picture but the
 weather & supper stopped him - Cloudy but 27
 becoming fine the morning has been 25 since

German
 Language
 Henry
 Mr. May 24

After lunch
 Down - Lord and
 Henry - late December

yesterday morning. After arranging my painting
 materials I had just sat down to work when
 Bickens drove up - He remained two hours
 and thereby completely spoiled my day's
 proceedings - Evening had the afternoon 28.
 I went in with a note to Mr. Meyer to inform
 him that Henry was ill and could not take
 his German lesson the next day. Dined with
 Bickens but Frank and Prout - Henry
 way home in the Chaise. I overtook him - He
 was going to his future brother in law's and
 had Mr. Chapman at Beaulieu Lodge - He
 had been staying an hour or two with
 J. R. Remond - This person left, as he says,
 £13,000 in this Colony and has now lost
 every penny of it - I am told he comforts
 himself with the reflection that he has
 liabilities to the amount of £2,000 ~~at least~~
 and that he never possessed more than £7,000
 29. At the Auctioneers meeting - we
 passed Resolutions to put an end to the
 business - and so we shall soon know the
 worst of it. Champ, Shalman, Prudman, Rook
 Watchman in the Chaise, Deane Dixon of the Deane
 Bank, and half a dozen others were there.
 Two or three ships coming up and out -
 30. The Calcutta and a Persian Ship came
 in - Joseph Archer and his wife in the former
 he brought me a letter from Miss & Mrs. Lamb.

Calcutta
 Hill
 Letter from

First meeting of a Committee for getting up an exhibition of Pictures. - Thos. Jov. consented to own having the use of the Council Room. It is proposed to open it the first Monday in December. - Called at the Maynard and saw Joseph Archer & his wife - & heard for the 1st time a report unfavorable to the morality of the head of the administration and to the virtue of a very young lady whose mother's conduct was too well known to be only too notorious.

Drove in alone Henry too unwell to accompany me. 31
Wrote a few lines to Francis and sent him Bill's letter. The communication however did not go till the next day by post.

I drove in late. Mary and my eldest son 2.
walked into town. I sent them home in a cab. Rain on my way home. At home all 3
day blowing a Gale of Wind. Mary and the girls went to church. - Painting. Drove in 4
and out. Took up young leaves on my way back. Killed two fish. Drove in with Henry 5
met the other members of the Picture Showing Committee viz. Frazer, Richens, Kay & Pont. Henry drove on our return. Drove it out. 6

Wrote a letter of Meyer's. -
Henry took a 2nd Lesson this week. 7 and 8
After I had taken an early dinner Richens 9
came out - in a great fidget about the state of

one Revenue and expenditure. I advised him to suggest ^{to the Council} no other means of raising the funds necessary for carrying on the service than those we had recourse to on former occasions that is to borrow the necessary sum from the building Chest.

Still and sunny 10. Strolling about on the Domain. Made two or three slight pencil sketches.

do. do. 11. Went into town early at Richens's request. Met Mauleon in B's office and talked over our necessities with him. - Resolved upon adopting the course which I had recommended on Saturday.

do. do. 12. Letter from Kintish and Archer about Lukin. Wrote to Lukin by that post. Dined with Richens. Came home in a cab.

13. Snow a little after 5. Drove Henry & son yesterday and today Harry Moore left us.

14. Before breakfast rode round. Drove out with Henry. Rode the mare into town and left her for Edward who was attending a ship launch. Walked home. Received a letter from Lukin and wrote him in reply. Sent him an Order on the Comm Bank Luncbury for £7. Called at Reeves.

15. While at breakfast. Cowell told me that the mare was knocked all to pieces. It turned out that Edwards's messenger riding her out at the Police Office Gate - threw her down and

inquired her success - The beam was bent.
For the mail fell upon him - Henry took his
fourth upon of meyer this week - As I stepped
into the large Drawing Room before I went to the
Office a large portion of the ceiling came down
and within a few inches of my head another
step forward and I should have received the
whole heavy heap upon my head. I ordered
the wheat in the meat Room to be put into sacks
as we must now make a Drawing Room
of ^{the large dining Room} - Drove Henry in and out - Then
Fanny came out and we went together up
to the waterfall above Kull's house at Tolosa.
Made a sketch and returned by 6 1/2 to dine
The White Man was so lively that I could
scarcely prevent her from galloping the
whole way - Fanny dined and remained
with us till past 11. A fine day but cold. 17
Many and three of the Children went to Church -
Drawing and writing up this Journal. Drove
in at home all day - Edward drove in his
Mother to prepare for her visit on Wednesday. 18
Drove Henry in and out - I shall not repeat
nor have ^{mentioned} for some time past my
interviews with Mr. Dickens - at the table
place, with very few exceptions, every day -
Drove Henry in and out. A Cab came for Mary 20
and I at 6 1/2 but her dress had not come and
after waiting till within a quarter of an hour of
7 I was obliged to go without her. At dinner
there were Sir John & Lady Piddie - Mr. & Mrs. Horne

Ceiling
came
down
Began Henry
2 men at 5.
for Anne - cutting
making & taking
Cloudy
Showery
Gave Mary
dinner

Nov
Showery
1844

Mr. and Mrs. Forster. Mr. & Mrs. Barnes. Mr. &
Mrs. Swanton Mr. King two Misses King. Bickens
Cracraft. & Wilmer. the 4th and myself there was
a large evening party. I left about 10 1/2 before
supper.
Cold and 21. Drove in and out. Young Snipkins on and
Cracraft dined with us. Committee of Finance
first meeting - Swanton, Keenode, Bickens,
Barnes, and myself. This kept me up till
22. Drove Henry in and out. Second meeting of
Finance Committee, Examined - Robt. Keen, Denny,
J. F. Read. Mr. Arthur - Forster. Chf. Constable.
District Constable. 9th occupied from 11 till near
23. 3rd. Third Meeting of Committee. Got home
by 4 1/2.
24. A finer and more promising morning
than we have yet had. The mercury rising
in the barometer it has stood at 29.6-29.7
through the week and today it is at 29.95.
Many and all the Children but Baby at Church.
25. Drove in and out. Caveat Board. Day.
Fine making - Finance Committee. Butler & on
my return home.
26. Walked in and out with Henry. Caveat 13th
Finance Committee, ^{finished} left cards at Joo. House.
27. ^{Drove} Walked in and out with Henry. He of course
took his German Lip on - Keenode.
28. Mr. & Mrs. Dawson called. Again with Mr. Lord.
He promised to give up Saddle deer immediately
and pay Rent from May last. Engaged to send

written proposals the next day - I have not
seen Harrison since - He called the next day
but I was off with Richens and so did
not see him - Walked in and out yesterday & 29 Showery
today - Henry took his 15 Lpton of German
and French of Mr. Meyer - Day making topped 15 Lpton.
Cold Showery Morning - The Gray Cow broke her 30
leg. She has been from some undiscoverable
cause, dead lame these three days. She was
a very fine cow and gave 12 quarts of milk
a day - Sent a note to Quern with my acct
for £300 - due this day -
Showery - Mary and the Children could not go to 1 Decr
Church in the morning - but took them in the
afternoon - Still Showy Morning - Drove in 2
and out - Summer Weather - Drove Henry - 3
in and out. A Holiday - Beautiful day! 4
took Mary all the Children and a Servant out
in the Boat - We pulled Henry my assistant to
the extremity of the point and then landed & sawed
the Boat and then amused ourselves The Children
walked about in the water gathered flowers and
picked up what Charles calls pretty Stones - Some
saw several of the Races - Landed & strolled about
and got home about 6 o'clock - Drove into
Town by myself - Henry taking a Holiday. 5.
He did not seem at all inclined to take a
German Lpton... Drove in and out with 6
Henry - Took his Lpton - Drove Mary
in and out and then down to Risdon. Old

Henry
150 days
at £50 per an
is £21.16.-

Regatta

Decemr 8. Mary and the Children went to Church Writing
to Sir John Franklin to go in the case of Dayman
by the Leander - Richens came out about
3 o'clock and effectually interrupted me for the
day. It was past 5 when he left. His servant
took a bottle of Pontados Sherry with him, which
I wished Richens to taste.
9. Continued my letter to Sir John. After finishing
it drove into Town - Saw Richens of course as
I do every day with very few exceptions. The
Leander does not sail till the middle of the
week - if there.
10. Called upon Cracroft and afterwards sent
him his Uncle's letter to give Dayman. Began
a letter to Hall - but was interrupted by the
Colt Secretary's request to see me. It was past
five when I left him and time to walk home
with Henry whose French Lpton was finished -
walked into Town. It was a perfect Summer's day.
Henry and I were out in the Boat before breakfast.
11. Henry and I gave the Children a pull in the
Boat for an hour before breakfast. The morning
was fine and breezy - Drove Henry into Town
and out Mr. Meyer did not give him a Lpton. At
the Finance Committee for two hours - Examined
Mr. Price the Police Magistrate. Richens gave
me to read a most offensive letter from Sir E. to
him about a notice in the Gazette of the port going
out every day &c

Pleasant shower in the morning about 7 12 snow
 not enough rain fell however to lay the dust.
 Walked into Town. Had kept my letter to
 Hill open in hopes of hearing from W. Garrison
 about Dr. Lusk's proposal which I referred to
 him last Thursday. On getting into Town
 there was no letter from Garrison and the
 "Leander" was gone. So I must wait till the
 end of the ~~next~~ month, perhaps the middle
 of the next before I can forward my letter.
 I saw Richards but as soon as I got into his
 room he was beset by that Perpetual Post
 Master General and was obliged to see
 him. Rensworth was waiting. So I came
 down stairs and not choosing to dance attend
 since any longer I soon after left the office and
 came home. Received a letter from the Director
 of the Union Bank calling upon me & Fletcher
 to pay up the amt. of our Bond for Evans' Cash
 Credit. I sent Henry over with the letter to Evans.
 Evans called this ~~next~~ day at my office to say that
 he had been with Jennings and he was satisfied with
 his assurance. and that if he had rec^d the explanation
 before he should not have troubled Fletcher & I with the
 matter. I drew Henry in but Mr. Meyer did not
 come - he has only given it. one look this week -
 Richards sent the Committee papers to me and begged
 as a personal favor that I would draw up the report.
 I took the task upon me very unwillingly -

"Leander" sailed
 Dayman & Scott

Decem. 14. At home all day putting the Committee papers in order.
 Afternoon walked over and called upon Dr. Lusk.
 Sat an hour with him - looked at his pictures. Left
 a present in Mary's name of a bottle of Attar of Rose
 for Lady Pedder. and brought away with me
 for personal Mary's private and three letters.
 15. At home all the morning. Afternoon - went to
 Church with Henry and Elizabeth.
 16. Drove in and out alone. Saw Richards of
 course. Walked with him & lay down to the
 Custom house to look at the progress made in the
 preparation for the pictures. Expecting Lusk but
 he came not. Dined alone. I rise early every
 morning. Henry rode up to Dr. Lusk's with letter.
 17. Up at 5 1/2 At work upon Committee paper.
 Lusk arrived from Lancertown. Drove in
 and out. Saw Richards.
 18. Drove Lusk into Town. Told Richards of
 his arrival. Finance Committee
 19. ~~Walked in~~ Drove in and out alone. ^{Heavy Thunder & rain}
 Finance Committee ^{lightning} 11 P.M.
 20. Walked in with Lusk. Sawiston in
 a high rage with the Governor for wishing
 to trap over his Bank and place the Govt.
 Balance and the public Account with
 another Establishment. I dictated a note
 that Richards should write to answer to
 this effect. - I beg at once to offer you the
 public list for the ensuing year. The Doubt

Cold as in
 Winter.

Thunder &
 Lightning
 later Rain.

entertained by the St. Joo. was purely of a
 theatrical nature which the conversation
 you had this morning with Mr. Fraser has
 entirely removed. With Pichens several
 times in the course of the day. Walked home
 alone. Entered Parnell out to Gras, in hopes
 of seeing his laurels. -
 Rode the White Man in boat. With Pichens 21.
 Reading the St. Joo. despatches. by the ship that
 arrived yesterday. There is one long despatch
 about the Probation System with reference
 to the State of the Colony. among other things
 positively refusing to have the Colonial Works
 performed by Apprentices for an annual
 payment of £4000. The Secy of State admits
 he was wrong in his estimate of the Colonial
 capacity to absorb labour but insists that
 his principle is right. It is useless to attempt
 to move such a man by any representations
 of the state of things. He is obstinately determined
 to see things in his own way ~~whatever~~ however
 at variance with facts. With respect to Parnell
 he is satisfied with the result of the action he
 brought against Johnson but wants to know
 whether he readily recommends Gregson's
 confirmation in his Seat in Council. He an-
 swers the Ch. pot. bri. to be paid 60 £ a year
 Lodging allowance the same as his predecessor.
 He desires that he may be furnished with regular
 returns of the state of the Medical Dept.

I was going
 Pigs.
 May Col.
 out at
 Gras.

What is it?

This must be a serious
 matter. I have been
 told that the
 Committee have
 been very
 cautious.

Major Victor to be
 ordered to be
 Lt. Hunt, has not yet
 arrived. I have
 not to be
 in the
 of the

From one Despatch I collect that Lord Stanley is getting
 more favourably disposed towards the Bishop. He
 desires Sir P. to acknowledge on his part the receipt of
 the Bishop's communication and promises an answer
 as soon as he ^{shall have} time to give the subject his best
 consideration. The Bishop called upon me.
 Decemr. 22 - Fine warm sunny morning. Many and
 the young children go to Church. The three
 elder boys are lounging about the veranda
 disputing with one another and smoking
 Cyprian. Born. Died. In whose Reign.
 J. Chaucer... 1328 - 1400 Edw. 3. Richd. 2. Henry 4.
 Edmund Spenser 1553 - 1598. Mary Elizabeth.
 Lope de Vega. 1562 - 1635.
 Wm Shakespeare 1564 - 1616. Eliz. 1. James 1.
 Ben Jonson. 1574 - 1638 Eliz. 1. Jas 1. Char 1.
 Francis Bacon. - - 1618 Eliz. 1. Jas 1.
 John Fletcher 1576 - 1625. Eliz. 1. Jas 1. Char 1.
 Saml Butler. 1600 - 1680. Eliz. 1. Jas 1. Char 1.
 John Dryden. 1631 - 1701. Char 1. Jas 2. Wm 3.
 Matthew Prior. 1664 - 1721 Char 1. Jas 2. Wm 3.
 Alesd Pope. 1688 - 1744 Wm 3. Anne. Geo 1. 1721.
 Jas Thomson. 1700 - 1748 Anne. Geo 1. 1721.
 Sir J. Mason 1400. 1535. Jas. Addison 1672. 1719.
 Francis Bacon. 1561. 1626 Sir Isaac Newton. 1642. 1727.
 Sir W. Temple. 1629. 1697 Jonathan Swift. 1667. 1745.
 John Locke 1632. 1704

At Church in the afternoon. In my way home Dec.
Capt. Booth gave me a long account of his
movements and sufferings in the Bush at the
time he was lost for 100 hours during which
time he was in the dead of winter and he with
light clothing on - no blanket he was without
food or fuel. His companion a man of the name
of Sumner deserted him at the end of the first or
sometime in the second day - and on arriving at
the Settlement behaved so strangely that the people
were led to believe poor Booth had met with foul
play - At the time the party arrived to his rescue
he was incapable of making the slightest effort
to indicate his place or condition and but for
the Kangaroo dogs who strange to say though
famishing with hunger yet never quitted
him to hunt the Kangaroo which abounded
on that ground he would have perished
in a few hours. The men who found him made
a large fire and instead of roasting their Comms.
with snow they placed him before it, giving
him succouring as only - his feet and lips of his
fingers were by that time in an advanced stage of
mortification. Rode the mare into Town. In 23.
The afternoon Lukin brought Henry in to take
his French & German lessons. After which he
went down with me to the Picture Gallery

but he took no great interest in what he saw
When we walked home Lukin dined with
Mr. Pritchard an attorney who he had never
seen before.

24. Rode into Town and Lukin rode the mare out
Saw Richards - between 3 and 4 walked down
to the Council Room - to see how many
new patients had arrived since the 1st.

Christmas
day
Beautiful
Weather.
25. Rose early writing for the financial Report
upon which I will tell in F. Mary and
the younger children at Church - Read the
Prayers and lessons of the day - Dined &
then went down to the point of the Cove
Farm nearest to where Lukin and Edward
were fishing - They came over for us and
we spent the afternoon fishing, smoking
and drinking tea. Having a kettle &
the other conveniences with a fire on the shore
we returned in the evening and as we
descended we saw a new Comet over the
mountain. The tail was faint in the
moonlight but the star or nucleus quite
distinct it was about a quarter to nine
when we first saw it.

26. A very hot close morning. The barometer
indicates rain. Hope it will come. we now
want it very much. Writing financial Report

at home all day. I finished all I had undertaken to do of the Finance Report. A very hot disagreeable day - a strong wind blowing a little to the westward of North but not sufficiently so to be cool. —

Larkin & Henry are gone out riding upon the horses. On their return they told me that Carlo had dropped dead suddenly a few hundred yards off. I had seen him a very short time before. After they had gone for their ride Carlo passed my window several times. We had his body brought home and buried at the upper part of the paddocks behind the cottage near the wall between the two adjacent trees.

A fine sunny morning. Henry almost there. Rode the White Mare and Larkin rode her back having come in with Henry who took her. 2^d Upon in German. Since I adjusted accounts with Meyers, walked out with Henry after visiting the Picture Gallery with Mr. Bickens. — Sent the pictures to the 28

Exhibition before breakfast. Called at the Bank on my way to the Office. Success marked with Bickens in the afternoon. Walked down with him to look at the pictures. The Bishop passed a good deal of time there. Bicker about — thus up and down the library steps, suggests it to every body and takes so lively an interest in the affair that one might suppose his own reputation as a connoisseur of the fine arts depended upon the success of the Exhibition. At half past six Mary and I went

Carlo died

to dine with the peddler. Met & dined with wife, Ed. Peddler and wife the Catholic Bishop, Major St. Mann, Sen. and James Bennett. Elizabeth very unwell with the Chicken-pox. Mary has just recovered from it.

29. A cool breezy morning. Some very light showers. Mary and the children, except Elizabeth and Alfred at Church.

30. Rode into town and out. At the Bank. Room with Fraser came front at 4 o'clock. We met in committee to determine some points preliminary to the opening of the Room. I did not get home till past 6 o'clock. ^{Saw the Court.}

31. Rode in and out. Sent the original Drawings I have of Prints to his nephew for exhibition, if Fraser can be found for them. Bickens with me. He came down and sat on him. I did not leave the Office till 5 1/2.

Rain. Then. Bar. 29.6. It was cloudy. Rain came on about 5 1/2. ^{He came very soon.} January 1. The ceiling of the China Court at Battersea, came down and did a great deal of mischief. All the rooms will soon be unoccupied from the same cause. — At the Picture Gallery. All the afternoon with Bickens upon the Finance Report. Dined with him at 7. There were the Bishop, Fraser, Lieut. Hay and his brother, Simpkinson, Prout, a Capt. Taylor and myself making 9 with Bickens. Left the house at 8 o'clock and rode home by 12 1/2. E. Bedford promised to call upon

3. Dinner this morning and make some arrangement about Maudwell, bill for £69 due and dishonored last Monday. In fact his acceptance is not worth anything. What can the man do with his money he never pays for anything.

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4th Apr.

With Dickens for two hours in the morning
and at the Finance Committee from 3 till
5. Henry took a spin. of Mr. Rogers. Then
walked down to the pictures with Dickens &
Henry. Looked about for an hour and walked
home. Taken having taken the trace severely.
Print put these all four of the drawings sent
him into frames and hung them up. The Bishop
was there taking an active interest in everything.
I came down stairs at 5 1/2. The weather was 4.
Kin cold and windy with showers. Not
enough however to lay the dust. Attended
to Henry's lessons after breakfast for an hour.
Moved the mirror and chimney ornaments
from the Drawing Room into the Dining R.
Afternoon Henry and I rode out upon the traces
for a couple of hours. afterwards moved the
Boat round from the jetty to the Govt. dock. Fine.
Cloud till morning threatening rain. At 5
saw a little after breakfast. Then appeared by
the different columns of smoke upon the mountain
to be two or three parties exploring it. Many very
small having fallen down the stairs yesterday
evening and hurt her back very much. Some of the
family at Church. Mr. Henry Moore is now here
so we have four such half barbarous fellows
laughing at one another coarse jests and smoking
pipes and cigars from morning till night. Jack
myself and the young children were far beyond
their reach. The mother seems to be utterly un-
conscious of the moral mischief those elder boys

6th Apr.
Mr. Wallers
cut in and
another brought
some other things

may do the poor children, or else she is indifferent
to it. As I was preparing for Church Mr. Dickens
called and detained me till the hour was passed
Henry and then walked up the Valley as far
as the museum. I made a slight sketch. We got
back by 7 1/4. Mr. Knight overtook me on the
Road and told me that Austey was down and
he was going to dine with him that afternoon.
6. Walked into Town with Henry who took his spin.
I walked down to the Exhibition with Dickens.
I have arranged that Rogers shall confine his
instruction to German only. I undertakes
to teach Henry French and Latin. Austey
called and sat half an hour with me.
7. wrote out a concluding paragraph for the
Report and gave it to Dickens. A fine shower
which continued from 4 till 8 or 9. I got wet
on my side home.
8. Walked in with Henry. It was an exceedingly
hot day. Called at the Freemasons Tavern & left
a card for Mr. Henry Austey. His father they told
me was at private lodgings somewhere. The
Calcutta is to sail at 3 o'clock tomorrow morning.
9. A fine cool breezy morning. On reaching the Off.
I found a note from Bennett asking me to dine
with him to meet Austey. I went there at 6 1/2.
After dinner we had a rubber. I got home about
10. 1st this morning. The Calcutta sailed yesterday.
A cloudy windy morning with occasional bursts
of sunshine. Walked in and out with Henry at

7th Apr.

The Exhibition with Andy Ike gets down tomorrow at 4 P.M. Saw Bicheno of course at home - helping Lukin clean the Boat drawing. 11. Evening fishing Linton Bay with Lukin, Edw.th and Henry - he caught between 3 and 4 dozen. Got back about 10. The moon was plainly seen. At home in the forenoon. Read the Salus Lepons 12 and prayers of the day with Henry. The morning was very hot. till the sea breeze came in about noon. - Judging by the smoke there are two or three parties at the mountain. - At Church in the afternoon with Henry. - Henry and I rode into Town and 13. 8. Lepons out upon the beach. A meeting of the Pictorial Comm. with Bicheno afterwards for some time. Lukin had a fishing party. They went out about 7 1/2 and returned about 10. - At home. Saw Henry a 14 good Lepson in French and hoped him lead. A very hot day. At 1 o'clock it looked very like a change of weather. It went off however and the next day was comparatively cool. Though quite hot enough. Before I went into Town rode the horse to his don Ferry. Henry came 15. arrived in the Boat with Lukin and in due time took his Lepson of German after paying a visit to the fancy fair. Open this day. We walked home and Lukin rode the horse. 9. Lepson. Advanced Mayers £2. Was with Bicheno twice in the course of the day. Sir Charles told him 1. That Sir J. J. Gibbs was coming down to visit him and then 2. That Sir Geo. was of opinion their meeting was not

Charles "Puth" -
 Degree of intellect and
 cause of the great difference in
 various parts of the world.

necessary for the purpose of discovering the best
 mode of disposing of the Convicts who under
 the sanitary of states new arrangement were
 to be permitted to quit this Penal Settlement
 while the description of Prisoners who had
 served a part of their sentence in England
 and were ^{to be} sent out under the name of Exiles
 were not to come here at all but to be absorbed
 in the other Australian Colonies. They were to be
 considered in all respects as emancipists
 except the power of leaving the Country -
 It would be curious to enquire into the causes
 of the civilization of a part of the human race
 whether they are to be sought in ^{or power} Superior Quality
 of mind or in local circumstances. If the
 former it must be inferred that all men were
 not originally the same but that they were
 formed with as strong distinctions of
 intellect as of colour. If the latter in what
 could be the local causes that produced
 such a difference. I do not know if this
 question has ever been fairly investigated.
 It is ~~now~~ now perhaps too late to draw
 any satisfactory conclusion from such
 an investigation but the enquiry might
 be instructive and practically useful in
 our experiments ^{now making} after the uncivilized
 and savage portion of mankind.
 Showery / C. At home all day - Henry & Lepson &

I rode in and Lukin rode the mare out. 14 Lanes
Henry took his life on and we walked 10th upon
home together. I spoke to Dickens abt. 18
Thurseloe. He is greatly distressed. Has
no support but what his brother can
afford out of his salary. Mary and the
children came in. Sent them out in a
cab. Walked in and out. Sent out 3 Cans
of Henry from Thacker's at 10th dozen.

Mary and three of the children at Church 19
Charles Baby and myself at train .. ^{walked} ~~rode~~ 20 Show
into town - Henry came in late just in time 11. Lefor
to get his upon the eleventh - we ^{rode} ~~walked~~ home

Rode in and out. the latter with Fletcher. Met
Sir Cardley yesterday and today. on the Domain. 21
Fishing in the evening - caught some Rock Cod Comet
Rode in with Henry and out again. he took 22 1/2 lb for
his twelfth lb on. Fishing in the evening twice.
at the picture exhibition in the afternoon for half
an hour with Pichens - a beautiful evening
but I could not see the Comet. The fishermen all
saw it last evening and I have some doubt
about our seeing it again. - A still cloud. 23.

Morning. Sea breeze came in late. I did not go to the office. Evening went out with Henry and Henry to fish for salmon or two. Returned by 10. Caught 2 kg of Rock Cod -
A still hot morning not a breath of air. Made in and out with Henry - Ray/Henry joined

13th Lefron as in our way home and rode as far as the turning
to Herdon - Evening ^{spilling} ~~spilling~~ with Lukin Henry May
24 Thunder and Lightning - We landed ^{and} and got the
gear and children home before the rain came. It
rained heavily for a short time but in the morning
25 it came down in good earnest. Rode into town
and out by myself - Evening fishing. Lukin Henry
and George Fisher. Blow strong. We got back
about 9 1/2.

about 9 1/2.
26. Cloudy with morning threatening rain - Clear
rains afterwards rode up to the 7th Mile Stone
before dinner -

14 Sept. 27 - Rode in with Cherry. He took his Lison.
Saw a lot of fish but no sport.

W. H. Flocks 28 - do alone - Evening fishing but no sport.

15 ^{Bingham} do 29 do and out with Henry. See Mr. Pittman
every day -

every day -
30. Rode in lake with Perry and out: Sailing Bay
+ some work in with

31. I walked in and out - Henry looks in with
Larkin sailing in the Boat to Redland Wharf.

Feb 1 - Took the Children and Mary over, Lewis went
with us. we were 11 in the Boat. altogether
steered upon the ground. not upon the
Grass for there was none. Cold before dark.

Mr. Bickins called in my absence with
some other Gentlemen - It was rather a
disagreeable Squally day -

2. At home all the morning - Reading Aristotle
philosophy in English - Larkin, Edward,
Henry, Mary, Elizabeth, and Charles at Church
with their mother - I was at Church in

This afternoon with Henry. Walked into - 3 February
Town and out. Recd. my salary vouchers.
Saw Pichens every day through the week.
On Wednesday I went down to Gov. House to see
the private Secretary about Aslabie's certificate
of salary which I was desirous of withdrawing
finding that he had arranged with the Gov.
that the whole of his salary should be paid during
his absence to Buckland who is to perform his
duty. But it was impossible to make either the
Private Secretary or the Gov. understand the
reason of my wishing to get back the certificate.
Aslabie was a very unlikely man to take an
improper advantage of such a circumstance
but it was evident that in the event of his death
his Executors might upon such a document demand
and receive half his salary for the whole term of
his leave - while at the same time the full amt.
of his emoluments would have been paid to his
Locum tenens Buckland - in this country - Disparaging
however of making myself ~~least~~ embarrassed or
even heard in the midst of the clamour Sir C. had
kept up. I gave the attempt up in despair. - Yet then,
as he said, took the opportunity of asking me
whether the reductions contemplated in the
Estimate for the year had been carried into effect
and particularly whether the five Clerks in the
Gov. Secy. Office which Pichens said on paper
the Estimate last year he could do without, had
been struck off the payroll. I replied that they

The whole of this is given in relation to Pichens in
memory. However - Sir C. said more, but what I have
given here is in his own words.

had not. He then asked why that, and all the other
reductions had not been made and without wait-
ing for an answer he went on in a course of
unequalled vituperation against Pichens
and his office. He declared that there was nothing
done - that he could get no information from
his office - that he could not possibly go on with
such a clog upon his Gov. that papers upon
immediate subjects were detained ten days by
Pichens before they were laid before him. That
he did not understand business and therefore
could not get through with it. He said he had
hard been accustomed to his wife all his life,
that such a Gov. as this was nothing to him, that
it only required method. That he finished
all his papers every day - look at Capt. Piche!
he sent him down a box of papers every day
as well as Pichens, and they were perused
and instructions given upon them immediately.
The Clerk, ought to be put out of office immediately
and their pay stopped - then indeed if they
choose to petition he might take their cases
under review and ascertain the nature of
their claims, that was the proper course to
pursue - In the mean time I must get ^{looked} back
the pay already issued to them for the last
month. He would give immediate orders
to that effect - he would instruct Pichens
that very evening. - Then he spoke of his

protect Mr. Zachariah Poole - ^{or Zedekiah} "He had given
him a situation of £200 a year in the Customs
and I should write to Sir Robt Peel to confirm
him and he had no doubt he would - there
was a provision for life for the young man"
Now if there were any thing like justice to be
administered by his Excellency - why not
give the place in the Customs to one of those
young men he is so unconsciously putting
out of office - ^{cashing them with his power} instead of quarantining upon the
Colonial funds a creature of his own - One who
has no claim whatever upon the Gov. and
who can hardly write his name - Then he ran
away to speak of Bury - "He went away for
3 or 4 weeks together to inspect the Westons,
as he called it, and when he returned he had
proposals to make of all kinds - additional
Constables at one place a Watchman at ano-
ther and so he was to be put in for ever -
Set Bury upon the Duke of Gordon and
the Birmingham Police and there was no
stopping him" - Then he spoke of the money
he proposed borrowing from the Commercial
Bank - "I was sure he was right in going
to the Leg. Council for their sanction - though
Barnes thought otherwise - It was the safest plan
he might be otherwise charged with the
whole amount" - Altogether I never heard
such a collection of inconsistencies and
unconnected matters cattered through in my

life before - He skims the surface just picking up
the light rubbish - swimming upon the top - He
does not appear to me to know the capacity for
going deeper or making himself master
of the facts of any case - Judgments, Pre-
dict reserve - Devotion are qualities to
which he seems an utter stranger - I am
told that wherever he is, he comes on
this silly gossip, both Old men or young
Wives or daughters - ~~perhaps~~ ^{perhaps} he has
known for years or the ^{vicinity} ~~acquaintance~~
of the prominent - In short it is hardly
possible to imagine a person so utterly
disqualified by an absence of all the
elements of wisdom for a Governor -
Forster I understand says that he will
not be here twelve months longer - How
little could Lord Stanley have known
of this man's real character when he se-
lected him for this duty -

Antalini &
Palmer
Sailed -

6. Rose home with Baker - He went home by the
old Newtown Lane -
7. Rose in and out with Henry - But some
Kemp
8. Walked in and out with Henry - But some
again - He means to take a large sheep pen
if such can be found - He spoke of the state
of society here - apparently without being
aware of the part some members of his family

Drove in and out with Henry. He took his 17 Feb
 Lepson. Rode in and out. Saw Richens 18
 about the Council particularly with
 respect to the Cash Credit with the Commercial
 Bank. He showed me his proposed Resoln.
 At the Council at 2. Heard the address. 19
 The Gov^r laid a few bills upon the table and
 then retired - Received and read a petition from
 the Abolition Friends and others against any
 increase in the ad valorem Duties which they
 were pleased to call a tax. The Bill was however
 laid upon the table. Dined at Gov^r House his
 Ladies - A tolerably steady party. Swanston
 and his successful rival with Sir Charles Young
 Dunn. I left my chair at the Office and the
 Messengers attended to get it ready. I was at
 home a little after eleven. Henry went into
 town with me but Mayor his German Master
 was in some difficulty or other and instead
 of his appearing at the usual time I received
 a note from him requesting the loan of £2 to
 enable him to pay a fine! Endorsed for a J. Bill.
 I wrote to Hill and enclosed him a Treasury 20
 bill for £250 - The "Auriga" sailed the next
 morning. At the Council. Wrote to Lukin in
 answer to his of the 10th morning and enclosed
 him an order upon the Comm^l Bank at
 Lammerton for £3. Rode in. Richens came
 almost home with me. Council 2 till 4 1/2 21
 carried the Cash Credit Resolution. Drove in
 and out. Rode in and out. Richens came 22
 out and we went to Fraser's with an intention

of looking at his house but nobody was at
 home so we contented ourselves with walking
 round his garden.

23. Mary and the Children were at Church in
 the morning and Henry accompanied me in
 the afternoon.

24. At the Council from 1 till near 4. Drove in
 and out Henry took a German Cypher. On our
 way home overtook Leckie asked him to go
 fishing with us on Wednesday.

25. Drove in alone at the Council 1 till 3 1/2 -
 Dined with Richens Met Sir J. Piddar,
 Horne. Turnbull. Hayward, Young Dunn,
 Swanston, Bernard - a Mr. Darling, a young
 Officer a son to Sir Ralph Darling. Barnes, Capt
 French & Kemode - Left at 9 1/2. My gig was
 at Fraser's - where I waited for half an hour
 looking over Fraser's sketches - hoping the rain
 would cease and allow me to get home very
 but as it did not I presumed the agricultural
 interests prevailed over my personal convenience.

Rain.

26. Drove in and out with Henry. He took
 his Lepson. I see Richens every day except
 Sunday. At the Council from 1 till past 5.
 Leckie dined with us - but the weather did
 not tempt us to the fishing ground.

27. Swallowed in and out at the Council.

28. Drove Charles and Elizabeth in. Their
 mamma Henry and Mary followed. We
 all went to the Horticultural Exhibition. At
 the Council for an hour adjourned to April -

Drove into town with Henry. Looked over I March
some of the Despatches by the Sir J. P. Symonds
a ship with Eniles arrived yesterday. Came
out earlier than usual and had a fine sail
in our little boat for 2 hours - gave Henry his
eighth attempt upon in Chess. He makes
rapid progress - At Church in the morning
with Mary and the children. The Bishop. 2.
assisted and preached. It was a fine
morning but turned out exceedingly hot in
the afternoon. Drove early with the children.
Drove in and out with Henry. Not wind but 3
luckily very little of it. Saw Dickens twice.
Henry took his German lesson - had my hair
cut - Not wind again. Drove in and out alone 4
Drove in and out - Very hot all the morning 5
then it changed to a cold and strong breeze then
died away in half an hour and then it became
as hot as before. Fine cool day. Drove in 6.
and out. Drove Henry in and out. He took
a German lesson. Cool day. A ship arrived
from England. Left the Mayflower.
I rose early and prepared to accompany Rev. S.
to Spring Hill. Left Newtown between 9 and
10. It was a hot sultry day. Changed his horse
(a new one) at the Black Snake and put his
old Bay Rocket in the shafts and he took us
on to Spring Hill. We stopped and baited at
the bottom of Constitution Hill and started
again between 2 and 3. It was extremely hot and

I felt the effect of it in walking from the bottom
to the top of the hill passed the 25th mile
stone which is the last respectable landmark
on the road. Arrived at Spring Hill about at
10 before 5. Dined. Smoked a cigar and
went to bed. After sleeping 3 1/2 hours ^{taking}
up the curtains and opening the window.
9. Walked up the Hill and made a light sketch
before breakfast and another in the afternoon
at the bottom of the hill while Dickens
went to visit Mr. Edw. B. Bee. He dined
with us and we gave him some bottled
Claret. The first bottle had just come out of
the oven while the second appeared to have
been in an ice-pail. The second was not
quite useless as it had turned to very good
vinegar - but the third was filling as
Belgian water - yet there no doubt Cabell
The landlord had the assurance to charge
5 or 6 shillings a bottle for -
10. Walked to the top of Spring Hill after
breakfast made a sketch and took leave
of Dickens on my way back. Got on the coach
for Newtown a little after 3 and arrived
about 7 1/2 doing the whole journey. It was
33 miles in 4 hours or less after allowing
1/2 an hour for crossing the ferry. There were
about 14 people outside and about 9 in.
including children inside. The coach was
unusually and unnecessarily high and the

motion from my elevated position not
 much unlike ~~the~~ being on the top of a ship
 in a swell. The coachman and guard
 though by no means the degrades animals.
 took a little time over their liquor and Cigars
 whenever they stopped and this delay made
 it necessary for the recovery ^{the} lost time by
 rapid driving and so by far the greater
 part of the way we proceeded up and
 down the hills and over the plains at a full
 gallop - we came along at a rate of 11 miles
 an hour at least. All well at New Town
 Drove in and out with Henry some steady 11
 rain in the evening for three or four hours. ^{Yesterday} ~~the~~ ^{Rain}
 Pinner kicked the horse in the stable at 12
 the office and sent her for the time but three
 or four days turned out in the paddocks have
 brought her completely round. Seymour
 told me that Belcher's father (Dennis Belcher)
 was to have the Commissionership of Insolvency.
 He added that the old man was one of the
 lowest of attorneys and while at Port Phillip
 where he had remained some time with his
 family no respectable people thought of
 visiting him. Called on Pittman yesterday.
 As had not heard from Lord about Lady's den.
 I wrote to Harrison and told him so. I drove
 in alone. Seymour told me that Youngs & Co
 of the S.F. had lost three thousand pounds at
 play.

March 13. I drove in alone. Cloudy but fine. Sent Harry
 a letter from Lord that Pittman sent me over as
 soon as he received it.
 14 Drove Henry in and out. He took his lesson.
 15. do - we did not remain long in town
 but got back by 3 1/2. Saw Henry his lessons
 in French and English till five or near it.
 16. At home in the morning drawing. Afternoon
 Henry accompanied me to Church. Mr. Moore
 made his appearance in the afternoon but left
 us for his station about 8.
 17. Drove in. Henry took his lesson. At half
 came in from England with papers to the
 latter end of November. The "Mequipa" or
 some such name. The rain came down before
 we reached home and continued coming down
 in torrents more or less all the evening. Thunder
 & lightning. One tremendous clap down upon the
 flash.
 18. The rain going off a fine day but
 cloudy and threatening rain. The evening
 sunny and warm. Drove in alone but
 Cracroft came out with me as far as the
 Bidden turning. He was going to dine with
 Ewing.
 20. Drove the Blackman in and out.
 Good Friday. 21. At Church in the morning with Henry,
 Mary, Elizabeth and their mamma.
 22. Drove Mary in and out. She had
 to go on some shopping expedition.

A large fire
 at the bottom
 of Mary's St.
 A Wall &
 New house

Thunder
 Lightning
 Heavy
 Showers

30 At home all the morning. Evening drove
into town to dine with Gibbons. Trust. Kay,
Snipplison & Smith, of the Observatory, Mount, & Green

and wife - rode home in a cab. Saw Roubt
 Sketches of Lake St. Clair and Flinders Island.
 Drove Henry in and out - Sketched his German 31
 Lesson - I walked in and out - Mary's 10th - 1 April.
 Anniversary of her birth. Drove Henry - His 2
 German Lesson - Fraser up at Bagdad, Lund
 shooting. Henry and I walked in and out 3.
 Drove Mary in and Henry out - He and his 4
 Maamma walked it - His German Lesson.
 Yesterday sent £44 to the Comm. Bank by
 the hands of Chaddeston and today 78. 15.
 by the messenger. Edw^d. Lukin and my
 Salaries - Lukin arrived from Luncetton -
 I received leave of absence for three weeks -
 I have seen Hedges every day this week.
 Rode the mare. It came on to rain about 11. 5
 and continued till the evening. I came out
 in a cab and sent Correll back in it to fetch Lukin.
 out the mare. Reading the Timest & K. John. See 4 Apr.
 Mercury rising in the Barometer. Maamma
 Mary Henry & Elizabeth at Church - Drawing
 for an hour or two upon the shore - at Church &
 in the afternoon with Henry & Elizabeth &
 was a beautiful day - A very fine sunny
 frosty morning. Up earlier than usual. This
 is the first frost I have seen this year although
 I have heard of it before - Drove Henry in and
 out - German Lesson - Saw Pichens. My 3rd Water's
 Holidays commenced. At home drawing and
 attending to Henry till 4 Drove him as far as

Leave of absence
 commenced on the
 1st instant

Beautiful
 day

Sunny
 Frosty

Beautiful
 day

Mr. Lower's house and back before dinner. They were
 preparing the Boats for the Races.
 Fair morning 9 - Made a sketch while Henry was taking his Lesson
 of Mr. Meyer who has engaged to attend him here
 during my holidays. He came at 9. At 2 Henry
 and I walked up to the Race Course where we
 remained till 5 1/2. It came on to rain but not
 till the Racing was over.
 Rain in 10. At home drawing and attending to Henry
 shown the weather was too unpromising for the Races.
 Showery. 11. Drove into Town with Henry after he had
 taken his German Lesson. Saw Mr. Pichens &
 then returned with the intention of taking the
 Children to the Races but the weather and
 the Lumbago together prevented me.
 Squally 12. I did nothing the whole day except attending
 a little to Henry. Lumbago very troublesome
 13. At home all day. Pichens came out in the
 afternoon and sat at home with me. He told
 me of the f. having sent for him and asked
 his advice - Lord had called upon Sir E. and
 told him that a report was abroad injurious
 to his daughter Julia's character. It was said
 indeed he had been told, that Sir E. had taken
 her up to Newmarket when they remained
 a night and then returned. Lord upon being
 pressed to name his informant of a little hesitation
 gave Judge Montagu. Thompson & C. sent for
 Price and requested he would call upon the
 learned Judge and enquire if he had said so.
 Price called and brought back for answer that
 Montagu had made the communication to

The Viceroy
 Lord &
 Lady Montagu

South but declined naming the party from whom
 he had the story. Sir E. then sent for Montagu and
 requested to know who was the person from whom
 he had the information. The latter said it was a
 Lady whose name he should not mention. Sir E.
 was very wrathful at this talk and refused any
 explanation and bowed Montagu out of the
 Room. The Judge went home or to his Chambers
 and wrote a long stinging letter to the foot
 saying that in mentioning the story as he had
 heard it, he was only doing his duty to an
 old friend of nearly twenty years standing and
 not propagating a calumny. That as the foot
 of the Colony he had no authority to call upon him
 to betray his author nor as a private gentleman
 no claims whatever upon him. neither in
 return for friendly offices nor personal courtesy.
 Sir E. talked of sending the matter home to Lord
 Stanley! and Montagu requested that his letter
 might be sent to Sir Lordship. Thus the matter rests
 so far as my information goes. I understand
 Foster was Sir Eardley's adviser. He could not
 have a better. At home all day - Lombago 14. Weir
 letter but not well. Sukin took Henry out for
 a ride upon his pony. Drove Henry in and
 out of town. Wrote to Garrison sending him improving
 a letter I had received from Pitcairn. Sent an
 acceptance to Durr. and one to Evans to
 negotiate for me. Saw Buchanan. We brought home
 a picture of his that I am authorised to do any
 thing I please with. At home till 4 1/2. Drawing 16.
 from Buchanan's Picture preparatory to making
 a copy of it. Took my gun and walked round
 the shore to Casselman Bay, through the farm

April.

home with Charles, who was much pleased
 with the excursion. A beautiful day and the
 weather appears settled. We met Davis with 8
 gibbs on our way round.

17. Began the City from Buchanan's picture. Said
 in the sky - At home all day

Cold and
 gloomy

18. Evans called and I gave him an A/c for
 £30 and alligned for £5 to cancel the bill
 for 35 due 14th morning. - Painting for an
 hour or two.

Cold and
 gloomy

19. We had intended to go to Richmond but
 the weather was dark and threatening so
 the trip was abandoned. Drawing. - After
 done many up as far as the P. Park Stone
 or near it. She was much pleased with her
 ride. In justice it was her sister's turn -
 but Elizabeth is to go the next.

A beautiful
 morning.

20. Before Church I drove Henry into town
 and out. He joined his Grandma & Sister
 on the Road. and accompanied them to
 Church. The morning was fresh & sunny.
 Went over to Fildes and got pipped with
 him for an hour.

Beautiful
 day.

21. After Henry had his German Lesson he
 left for Richmond. For there about 2. Started
 again for Richmond at 3.40 and arrived at

Dark & cloudy
 Th. 53. Bar 30.45.

22. Smith's Ploughman began ploughing
 for me. Afternoon walked up to the museum

with Larkin and Kenny - made a sketch of the Mountain and road. Fished and took two or three shots at a hawk with Mr. White's pistols. A capital pair for Mr. White. I drove into town early - to attend the Court Board. That business was over in an hour or two. At the Leg. Council at 2 and came away at 3 1/4. At home by 5.

Sent Cornell into town early with Pomeroy 24. Went to bring out some seed oats & barley. Walked into town. The Court Board. Ret. there till 6 1/2 - then walked home with Fraser and dined with him. He accompanied me to the case of ~~Magistrate~~ Elizabeth. On my way home. At the Court Board again 25. At 11 AM. I came in and out. Again at the Board. Jan. decision in the case of ~~hemmer~~ James. Keir at Law and MacDonald. I rode the train into town saw Picheno and he was to have ridden home with me but he was engaged at the time appointed for our ride with Montagu and Dr. Gregory. The latter from Sydney. Archbishop Polding having sent him down being the Vicar General with full powers to visit upon Bishop Wilson taking upon his own shoulders the whole burden of this Sec Church. He having taken already upon himself the temporalities of St. Joseph the Archbishop insists upon his becoming bound for the debt due to the contractors for erecting the Building - or he will be superseded in his dignified office. The Vicar General having full powers to do so

Ploughing and sowing.

Picheno's dinner
picked up Wilson
Dr. Gregory &c.

Recall fighting in India.

Ravens Weddell

pending an appeal to the Pope. I drove in to dine with Picheno. Met the Bishop - Dr. Gregory. Mr. Catham and some other Catholics present. Col. Elliott, Swanston, Blackett, Maclean, Brown, Managing Dir. of the Bank of Australasia & Edw. Bedford. I spent a very pleasant evening - and had a very fine night for driving home. Swanston told us that all over India the maulanas were addicted to devilry. and they managed it by ~~confessing~~ a female hid in or under a basket in the centre of the pit. The combatants were then let loose from opposite sides when each directly rushed to the female and moving rapidly around the basket aimed at his come in collision face to face when the fight commenced and is maintained with fierceness till one of them is either killed or exhausted. Antyficant stones are not used.

27. Mary & I of the Children at Church. Kenny received a tremendous blow upon his right eye yesterday while playing with George Fletcher. and the swollen and livid state of it prevented his going with his Mamma and Sisters. I attended the evening service. Picheno informed me on Saturday that he had taken Fletcher home and the latter told me the same thing today.

At home painting the copy of Dickens's 28.
 Picture - Dull but fine day. At the Office 29
 early to attend the Cases Board. I am Judge
 in the case of Landale & the Crown in favor of the
 former and heard another case that had been
 postponed. Wilson and Lester. I am in favor
 of the former. Subject to the claims of the latter.
 At the Office but not early - after hearing Henry 30.
 his lessons. Drove in Mary, believe went in with
 me. We were home again early. Drove in and out. 1 May
 Looked at a horse that Dickens's groom had
 found out for me. Robert brought him out
 and Dickens soon joined us. He was a
 large coarse ugly horse but with a good
 frame and good paces with no tricks or vices
 it at all thought he would make a very
 useful horse. He was only 4 years old. This
 meant to try him and in the mean time
 Robert took him back. I drove in after work 2
 in a room upon a drawing. Ray lent me
 one of his and certainly of some merit. 3
 at home all the morning working upon
 the drawing. Afternoon tried the new horse
 which had been sent out to me for that purpose
 Henry went with me - first to Kissdow Ferry
 and then to Tolosa. Called upon Nell. Saw
 him and his wife - Mary and all the children
 but baby at Church. Drawing in the morning 4
 Afternoon drove accompanied me to St. John's
 Saw Fletcher and Capt. Booth. Evening reached
 from the Balcony and Verse. Children - Evening
 heard Henry and Elizabeth read. It appeared
 in Evidence before the Council when the new

Saw Dr. Garrison
about Hill's affairs.

Brewers
 Sugar.
 Council
 Bell
 Macdowell
 1844.

Bill was going through the Committee that
 the annual consumption of sugar in the
 Brewing of Beer was about 3000 tons, in value
 £3000 more or less. The sale of Colonial Beer
 reached 20,000 Hogsheads a year. This was
 in 1843 or early in 1844. Macdowell in his
 speech for the Brewers they were heard by
 Council against the Bill. Said "Distressed
 circumstances indeed! I deny their Distress. Do
 they not drink wine? Do not their wives
 give parties and their daughters make
 villainous noises upon the Piano?" This
 was softened down in the newspapers
 or Mac would never have got another
 brief from the Settlers. 12 Jan'y 1844 -
 The Bill passed the Council but was disallow-
 ed by the Home Government.
 5. Drove in and out Henry ^{with young} ~~with young~~ I
 heard that his German Master Meyers have
 left the Colony, probably for Sydney. Saw
 Dickens. Augustus Wilson called in the
 morning for some information respecting the
 Schools.
 6. Drove Mary in and out. We made our
 way to Mrs. Downings, called and saw her
 for the first time since her marriage. She
 looks old and delicate. Our intention was
 to call also upon Mrs. Price and Mrs. Kay
 but the weather looked so threatening that
 we thought it prudent to put off the visit.

Cloudy

At home drawing. Disagreeable day - 7 May
 Cold & squally weather. A good deal of rain &
 in the night and day in showers. Drove
 Henry in and out and escaped the showers
 Evening playing Chess with Henry. Drove
 Henry in and out. At the Office a little after 1 P.
 Saw Calder spoke to him about Lukin. He was
 to have seen the Col. Sunday afternoon but the Hon.
 Sullivan was engaged with the trial of Tasmanian.
 Evening playing Chess with Henry. A little after 1 P.
 came out. We had engaged to go in search of a Waterfall
 3 miles above Dolores. sent away on our way but after
 riding about, ascending the supposed distance and
 trying our knees to two, slipping into a deep gully to the
 stream at the peril of our legs and horses we were
 obliged to abandon the enterprise as hopeless without
 a guide. We got back a little after 5. Dined with
 us and stopped till past 10. Pichens called on
 the afternoon and sent me out the horse which
 he had purchased for me.
 At home all the morning. Afternoon at Church
 with Mary, Henry and Elizabeth. Drove in
 and out with Henry. Rode the new horse to the
 Henry on his pony. Saw Pichens the night of the
 horse he had purchased for me. Rode the new
 horse into town. came home with Pichens round
 the Domain. Drove Henry into town and Mr. White
 dined with us. Drawing and riding with Henry
 every day. Left the Office before 2 o'clock. Rode
 with Henry up to Sulay's place and looked at
 the Office. It is in too unfinished a state for a
 residence although it appears to have been inha-
 bited. At home all day - a slight attack of

Lumbago. Drawing a little in the afternoon.
 Baby was unwell and fretful. The Cook away
 dissipating - so neither Mamma nor the Children
 were at Church.
 19. At the Office with Henry. First heard of Mr.
 Squire's intention of quitting the Office at the end
 of the month. Lumbago rather troublesome -
 Mr. Nelson applied for the vacancy about to
 occur in my Office. It was from him I heard
 of Squire's intention to leave.
 20. At home all day attending to Henry & Edward.
 Young Wilkes married to a daughter of little
 Isaac the Banker. Afternoon rode out with
 Henry as far as the 6. Mile Stone.
 21. Rode in alone thinking I should be engaged
 with Pichens upon the Estimates but he did
 not send for me and as I was glad to escape
 a very busy business I mounted my horse at
 four and rode home. Henry then rode with
 me for half an hour.
 22 Drove in and out Henry with me. The
 23 same - a little rain.
 24. Attending to Henry, then swept the
 house.
 25. Drawing in the morning. Afternoon at
 Church with Henry, Mary and Elizabeth.
 26. Drove in and out with Henry.
 27 Drove in early with Edward. At the Canal
 Board till noon. Was to have dined with
 Pichens and gone to the Birthday ball
 afterwards but got rise of both engagements.

At home all day. Drawing and attending to 28
Henry. I have been troubled for some days
with a soreness of the nose and right ear
together with a boil upon the thigh. They are
very obstinate and get worse rather than
better. Reading Coningsby.

At the Court of Council. Giving decision in 29
B. Wright's case. and the Crown. in favor of the
former. Wrote a note to Mr. Brown and 30
returned him the Educ. Review for July 1842
containing an Article upon Ignatius Loyola
and Francis Xavier - which I had expressed
a desire to read. Cold morning. White frost.

It came on to rain about 3 o'clock. Rain in 31
the night and morning - at home all day -
my leg better - and I walked a long time in the
Tramroad. Finished Coningsby.

The mercury is risen $\frac{3}{10}$ in the barometer since 32
yesterday morning. Snow on the mountains.

Cloudy but fine. Mary and the two girls and 2.
Charles gone to Church. Accepted a bill for

Hutchins - £30 at 3 months. King called upon me
and spoke about his son. 18 years old for whom
he wants a place in one of the Government Offices.

I advised him to rely upon the L. G. who I think
cannot withhold his hand ^{from} to the boy after
the intimacy they say he had established with the
hand of his sister - Adeline - I went driving in
and out. At home all day my leg somewhat better. 3

Fishers came out and killed half an hour with 4
me. ^{took} Henry in and out Charles in and out
in a cab. Charles had his hair cut. Sold
two of my Lard. Methuen and Pencil.

Brown
Educ. Review
Loyola and
Francis Xavier

Rain
all
day in
showers.

2.

Drawing
finished

4. Horses
Sold

Rain.

Very
heavy
rain
all
day

Blowing
a Gale
Heavy
Showers

Windy

Rain

Heavy
Showers

The spokes of one of the wheels of my Stanhope
are loose in the box and rollers. and therefore
dangerous to me.

5. Rode the horse Gray in and out but the bile
on my thigh was troubled once through the
day evening and night and continued until about

6. daylight. I washed it every morning with
sponge and warm water cover the sore with
lint lightly spread with Calamine Cerate
and then a covering of Old linen rag and
Diachylon round the edge to keep it in its
place. Today I have added a strip of adhesive

plaster between the lint and other covering
in hopes of accelerating the healing of the wound
which by drawing the sides together. Left a
renewal of my Per. hose for £300 to Denver

at the office last night which I desired Mr
Messinger to take over this morning to the
Bank - At home all day. The weather
would have prevented me if my leg had
not been going into town

7 Rode into town and out Dickens came out
with me and we rode as far as Reddown & then

8 at home all day. Family at Church. The bile
on my thigh troublesome

9 Blowing a gale of breeze. At home all day.

10. Rode in and out Dickens came as far as
the 2nd mile stone when the rain commenced
and continued through the evening. A Persian
ship arrived yesterday.

Rode in and out. Pichens came to the top 11
 of Emmett's bill with me. Rode in & out. 12
 Rode in and out. Pichens and I called 13
 at Post House and left cards for Sir E.
 who was indisposed -
 Fine sunny fresh morning. A note to 14
 Bedford on the 12th reminding him that the
 interest for 6 months was due on 27th ulto.
 I requested a cheque for the amount. Pichens
 came out with me when Henry joined us
 on his pony and we went together to Reddown
 & made Henry a present of St. Askin's Tales
 of the evening - a very pretty and well known
 book. The ulcer on the thigh is quite healed.
 & I keep a dressing on it now only for protection
 cold damp misty morning. The family at 15
 Church. The sun broke out about noon. In
 the evening heard the children read. Rode 16
 in and out. It came on to rain on my 17
 way home and could not go through the evening
 Rode in and out. Saw Pichens every day 18
 Morning fine and evening fair. Lukin 19
 and Henry walked in but because the
 former left his brother and Henry came
 home in a cab which the trypsin procured
 for him. Rode in and out as I do every 20
 day and therefore I shall not make any
 future remarks upon that point until some
 change takes place. Left office at 3 21
 after waiting nearly an hour for Pichens
 who was engaged with the H. C. Comm.
 & talked about till dinner time.
 at home all day the family at Church. 22

my surgical operation over.

Trader put off his sketching party till Wednesday
 June 24. Rode in early. At the Cavat Board. for a few
 minutes only.
 25. In Town early. At the Cavat Board. I left
 the office early and rode to Reddown with
 Henry before dinner.
 26. Edward rode home on horse and took a
 cab on account of the rain. A heavy Gale ^{in the} night
 27. Stormy day. At home. read the day
 his lessons and the girls read.
 28. Rode the Gray in and Pichens rode in
 out and as far as Reddown. Robert riding
 his horse. Called at Fogg's and desired him
 to write to Henry for two copies of Lamb's
 Tales from Shakespeare.
 29. At home all day. Evening read two of the best
 sermons - in the morning the children with their
 Primers at Church.
 30. Rode in and out. In the evening heard Henry
 lessons.
 July. - 1. Pichens, Francis, Philbrick, Messrs. Col. Elliott
 at the Executive Council from 12 till 3. They
 were expected to offer their respective opinions
 upon the best means of improving the welfare of the
 Colony. I sent them that Col. Elliott was
 prepared with a very good scheme which I suppose
 was furnished by Ferguson. ^{Before dinner took with} Henry to Reddown and back.
 2. Rode in and out. Yesterday I went with
 Pichens to Fogg's to see how the garden was getting
 on. I see it almost every day.
 3. Henry rode in and out with me on his pony. I think
 it was a lovely day. The finest then I have seen.

seamy
 Gale
 do.
 rain

Finest day
 in months

Walked in and out with Henry. — 4 July
 do — do. Mr. Pickens walked
 out with us. and then went out to Fitchers
 on foot. to see how his workmen were proceeding
 with the Larder. It was very cold and both
 Henry and myself being very hungry. Sat down
 to dine instead of taking a ride as we at first
 intended. — Cold and showery with gleams of
 sunshine. — This weather will continue with
 slight variations till Nov. or Dec. next. It
 is the most disagreeable weather we have in
 this climate. — The children could not go to
 Church this morning on acc^t of the weather
 but they are gone this afternoon. Read prayers
 and lessons of the day. Rode in alone. Price. —
 accompanied me home as far as Price's. It
 rained the whole way and was showery
 all day. Rode in without Henry but he
 went with me as far as the top of Emmet's Hill.
 Pickens parted with me on my way home
 at the same spot. Gerland called to tell me
 of his app^t to full pay at Barbadoes in the
 West Indies. They have ordered him there from
 the Antipodes and a man better place from that.
 This is a fine sample of the way they economise the
 public money. and upon the saving. The true
 reason for such an improved course is that
 the man at the West India Island has interest
 and he of the Antipodes has none. —
 Walked into Town and out with Henry. — I
 walked into Town with Henry and Pickens
 brought us out in his carriage. He was to drive
 him to Gov. Ro. till the next morning and he

An increase in
 the Establishment of
 Six Regts.

Calling the
 my into the
 Regt.

thought trying them together the day before
 was a proper precaution.
 July. 9 walked in and out with Henry.
 10. The same with Henry.
 11. Without Henry. Pickens walked as far as the
 first milestone with me on my return.
 12. — The men having brought all the hay into
 the loft. The hay was drying again. So I rode in
 and out Pickens with me as far as Fitchers.
 I came home for Henry and on road first
 to Reddown and then round by Fitchers
 and the High Road home.
 13. Wet morning. None of the family at Church.
 The Bishop made typically a sermon for the people
 who had escaped the recent shipwreck. His
 weather will be against the collection.
 14. Walked in and out alone.
 15. Henry and I walked in but the rain came
 on and we were obliged to come home in a cab.
 16. Rode in alone till late.
 17. Mary Charles and Baby came into Town
 in order that Mary and I might call at
 Gov. House which we did. On our way home
 called also upon Mr. Price.
 18. Mr. Ex^t Lord called and promised me
 upon his word and honor as a gentleman
 that he would pay the half year's rent for Quorum
 on the 1st Sept. next the day it is due. I said
 the sum he proposed for sitting up the fence
 £30 I should be allowed him. Walked in
 with Henry and Fletcher £50 to pay his own
 acceptance for my accommodation due tomorrow.

On the 19th Henry Lynde
 came to us at 5/10 after
 signed the agreement

Conrad brought me the proceeds of my
receipts for £50 which he had dismounted
for me - viz. 48. 19. 2 - Dis. £1. 0. 10. He
also got me to accept a bill for him at 3 Mth
for £20. Walked in alone. Left the 19 July
office at 2 1/2 with Mr. Bickens who walked
all the way as far as Pileau's with me. He
went on to Elitich's and came home. Then
I went with Mary and called on the Kays.
Have seen Butchers every day this last week.
Again mild day till 2 when it got 20.
very cold. The sea breeze began to set in at
that time. Mary and the children at
Church - I have been reading Stephens' 52nd speech
on the subject of the account of Peta. The
is very interesting. Much more so than I can more
Kinnaird's. I doubt much if the 52nd speech
later even saw the basis he presents to 28th of the
described. At home all day cold & showery -
At the Cavendish Board. Nothing to do. Sunday 22.
Rode in with me. At the Cavendish Board again
Nothing to do. Rode in alone. 23
At the Cavendish Board. Heard a case as far as the 24.
Attorney was prepared and then adjourned
it until it could be shown whether the
husband of Mrs. Sinclair was alive at the time
of her decease and whether the property which
she left by will to her younger son was paid over
with her husband's money or her own after she
was separated from him.

July. 25. At the Cavendish Board. A rehearing of the
case Sherrin vs. Donald, and Hamed. but the
parties were in no better condition to prove the
will under which Sherrin claimed through
his wife than before - Case dismissed. Rode in
alone. Bickens who came every day
this week came as far as the 2nd mile Steer
with me. Searching every where for the duplicate,
of the last sets of Lewis. but in vain. All
the materials for answering them are with
only 15 bot. The Sup. I remained at the Office till 4 1/2 and
then left. Then took Henry for a gallop down to Kiden
and back before dinner -
27. Heavy shower. which prevented the family
from attending Church.
28. Walked in and out with Henry.
29. Rode in and out with H.
30. Legislative Council at 2. 500th speech. I then
adjourned till Friday. Dined at Gov. House
Party. Sir P. Piddell, Col. Elliott. Sir John Kinnaird
Bickens, Bury, Haines, Home, Fraser.
Swanton, James Dunbar, Forster, J. Campbell,
Major Annisworth.
31. No Council rode in and out with Henry.
August. 1. Rode in alone. Council from 2 till 3.
Bickens laid before the H. Gov. a list of proposed
reductions made out in pursuance of his orders
in which list a Mr. Byrnes name appeared. ~~He~~
against the name. As it was "I disapprove of the
reduction, if all new comers are to be reduced at

Legislative
Council

Mr. Baulley
and
Mr. Byrnes

must not stop here." Mr. Byron is collecting Clunk of
Feet in the Chief Police Magistrate's Office and I myself
feeling that such an effort was unnecessary proposed
its abolition - How is it possible to carry on business
with such a man as Sir Eardley? He is the who insists
upon reductions in spite of all that Bichens has
said against them and in favor of the poor men who
are to suffer by the measure. But Sir Eardley ^{has} ~~is~~
perseveres and so get as soon as the occasion prin-
ciple is applied to one of his own nominees and ~~one~~
he turns short round upon ~~him~~ his Colonial Secretary
and I thought he had been the sole originator and advocate
of the disorganising proposal and casts a strong
rebuke in his teeth - Now this Mr. Byron has no claim
whatsoever upon the Colony, has been only a few months
in it, came out here a mere adventurer and to whom
no possible injustice could be done if he was sent
about his business tomorrow - Yet this man is retained
in an avowedly clerical Office, in opposition to the head
of his Department who declares he has no occasion
for his services, while several deserving men who
have discharged their duties ably and zealously for
years are ~~dismissed~~ to be consigned at the end of the
~~year~~ to a few months to beggary and want - This is only
one of his almost daily peccadilloes - Certainly such a man
is not fit to govern or even to hold a second rank place
in so contemptible a colony as this - But there is no
redress - To whom can the people appeal to the Ministry,
Ministers? Alas Lord Stanley and his official colleagues
have been doing the same kind of dirty work ever since
they came into power - no indeed did their predecessors
the Lords - For instance, Taitton and Forbes Lygon
and Sir John - cum multis alii - I saw the draft of a letter
to be addressed to Sir Kemp calling for explanation

of his conduct on the day of the first meeting of the
Legislative Council - It was said that he was concerned
if not the principal in sending Punch and Judy down
to London to be in front of the Council Chamber &c. The
letter was sent and Sir Kemp understood
affected to laugh at it, and prepared an answer
which would have made his case a great deal worse.
Some man however not quite so great an ass as
Kemp and his ^{ordinary} advisers recommended him to ap-
ologise, as he could not deny the charge, without loss
of time - and he accordingly made use of the mediation
of Byron. I hear Sir Eardley told the ^{agent} ~~minister~~
to make his principal put his apology in writing
and then he would consider of it - Called at
Gov. House and left a card for Sir Eardley -
2. Rode in alone after hearing Henry his lessons - Met
a little after 3 and took Henry on his pony down to
Hobart. Resdon - Bichens called and talk with me for
a few minutes - Fildes came and dined with us
3. At home all the morning - threatening rain - Mary
and the children however went to Church and in the
afternoon Henry Elizabeth and I went out with the
span out for tea but it looked so little as coming home
and ~~back~~ that we walked round by Elizabeth's
house - The rain kept off and had not yet commenced
at 11 o'clock in the evening Henry commented with
the tooth ache -
4. Rode in and out alone putting the answers to
Queries in order - At Council.
5. Rode in - Corbett brought in my clothes and I dined
with Bichens - Sir J. Padden, the Bishop - Kemode,
Rev. R. Davies, Dean of Longford, Francis Capt. Francis

Home, Swanton, Browne, Came home
 in a Cab. At the Council. No Council. Rode 6th August
 in and out alone. Preparing papers for England.
 Rode in and out. Council till 5. — 7
 No Council. The Governor was very much 8.
 engaged and could not attend. I sent in
 Quier's Clap No 2 for the Governor to transmit Letter from
 to England. Rec^d a letter from Winnipeg dated Winnipeg
 4 or 5 April. At the Office till 4. Called for 9
 Fletcher at his Office and rode home with him.
 At home all day. Disagreeable weather. The family
 at Church. Nearly or quite finished answers to 10
 Quier's. Reading the Afternoon Service and then
 Butler's Analogy. A tolerably fine morning. 11
 Rode in and out alone. At the Council till 4 1/2
 then at the Office till 5. Signing Abstracts
 and Warrants. Wrote a letter to the Comm^y for
 Auditing the Post. Act and sent off the Quier's of 1840.
 before Council. I desired Parsons to take them to the Post Office. Evening Chess with Henry. The
~~Psyche~~ Psyche was to sail at 4 o'clock 12
 this afternoon or yesterday at the same time. Again
 Rode in. At the Council from 2 till 3 1/2 at day
 the Office till near 5. Richards rode out with
 me to the 2^d Mile Stone. A greatly more 13
 At home all day. On Monday last the proposed
 Municipal bill was thrown out. Henry rode in about 14
 with me. Beautiful day but very cold towards
 the evening. Talked with Richards & Turnbull about
 the Estimates. Had given my opinion to Richards
 as to the course to be pursued in case the Council should

Mrs. J. of Cashmere
 William Capt
 12 and about
 the evening of
 the day
 in Henry's letter to his
 Aunt I said a few lines
 suggesting him to tell
 about J. Chapman
 Auditor.

refuse to vote the sum required for Police and
 Gaols - before Turnbull came in and it so
 happened that he took precisely the same
 view as I had done. which was that in such
 an event the Gov^t should at once tell them that
 as he had no land fund to draw upon and
 no means of supplying the deficiency in their
 vote that he must and would reduce the
 Establishments within the limits they had
 assigned to the expense - whatever the effect
 upon the security of the Settlers and the
 peace of the Colony might in that case be -
 This would throw the unpopularity of the
 measure back upon the unofficial members
 of Council for having driven the Gov^t to so
 perilous a proceeding and this would be fol-
 lowed by petitions from the Settlers in every
 part of the country who unlike the honorable
 member for Pardon had something to lose
 The reaction would then throw the Gov^t in a
 surprising degree and prove a wholesome
 lesson to the unofficials.
 Henry! The Auditor's duties are the same as
 those of Mr Maclean with Mr Baymond in
 addition. The Auditor is in fact the exami-
 ner and controller of his own accounts. The Treasurer
 is a mere paymaster and has never hitherto con-
 sidered himself responsible in any degree for

the correctness of the accounts being
 If this description of the Treasurer and
 Auditors duties respectively be correct it
 is plain that the division of ^{power} ~~power~~ contained
 stated in the Treasury Instructions ^{power} for the
 guidance of those officers has been entirely
~~overlooked~~ ~~disregarded~~ and an
 irregular system introduced ~~which~~ never
 presided ~~nor~~ thought of by their Lordships.
 As it now stands the accounts may be all
 wrong although the Treasurer's payments
 be correct, that is to say in conformity with
 the Gov^t Warrants. In fact there is no audit
 of the accounts, distinct from the Accountant,
 till they reach the Commissioners in Somerset
 place. You are an old man of mine in Mr. Meade's
 time. J. Henry and I walked in and out, 15
 at the Council from 2 till past 4. The Governor
 gave Gregson a lecture upon the manner in
 which he conducts his opposition and wound
 up by saying that Mr. Gregson was continually
 proposing to undo the Gov^t every support. If
 what had been already experienced was to be
 fair specimen of the nature of the support
 the honorable gentleman meant to afford the
 Gov^t. He in England would prefer encountering
 his proposed and determined opposition.

Auditors Treasurer

Mr. Governor and
Gregson

August 16th Walked in and again with Henry.
 Fene Bicheno walked home with us. A fine day
 but threatening to be showery.
 17th The two girls Charles and then Mamma
 at Church Henry left at home to take care
 of the Baby. On Friday Gregson recommended
 as a better means of drawing a revenue than
 any of those proposed to lay a tax of
 1st ^{per cent} upon all wool exported from
 the Colony. His proposition although
 one would suppose of a startling nature
 was neither objected nor demurred to.
 And it passed off without comment.
 18th 19th 20th Some rain on the 19th. Rode out and in every day.
 21st Henry and I walked in but the rain coming
 on we were obliged to take a Cab out. Rode
 22nd in and out alone i.e. without Henry.
 Bicheno came as far as the 2nd mile stone
 with me.
 23rd Threatening rain but Henry on the way
 back at 2 returned and then visited
 Charles' allotment in Lansdowne. Out and
 Bicheno joined us on our way back and we
 rode together as far as Piddon.
 24th At Church in the morning with Mary the
 two girls and Charles. Afternoon Evans
 came over and dined with me. She was ^{overcome} ~~del~~
~~preoccupied~~ with the payment particularly labelling
 from a Black Cook. Mr. Evans had hired.

Fine warm bright sunny day 8 Sept
 Morning rode in and out with Henry Bar. 30
 Dr. Smith called and said that he Th. 54
 had brought a parcel from Peter
 for Mary - I sent for it and found it
 contained a watch for Henry some trinkets
 for the girls and a few little books. / 9. Bar. 3
 At the Laurel House. Adjourned all Th. 5
 of Burr, Fulton, &c. Rode in and out.
 Henry came in and out with me. He 10. 3/17
 has a very troublesome cough. which I
 think he increased the day we went to
 Browns River. Henry seems quite 11. 29
 well this morning although he coughed J. 55
 half the night. I left him at home.
 Dined with Fraser's party to Richard's
 party. We went up to Goldbrook place before
 8. The party consisted of the Bishop, Mr. Meade
 and some female friends. Goll. led her into the
 Drawing Room. Dr. & Mrs. Hampton - Edw. & Bedford
 and his wife - Mr. and Mrs. Maudsall. Burnett
 Morrison Jones and two daughters - Mr. & Mrs. Montague
 at the point, his wife and daughter - Lieut. Kay. Scott
 so Capt. Rice & his family the Lieut. of the same Regt.
 the Fraser and two or three more. There were 5 or 6
 professional musicians. who played through
 the evening. I got home by 11 1/2. Walked 12
 into and out of town with Henry. The same. 13
 Rode to Ridgely and round the Domain by
 the Indian home. A most beautiful day. -

Sept 14 Mary Henry and the two girls at Church.
18. 1 8. AM Charles, Baby and I left at home. The pressure
in the barometer falling it is now $12\frac{1}{2}$ at
29.85 - a rainy position - Went out with Henry
and Elizabeth to go to Church but at threatens
rain and we came back - The rain however kept
off - Henry was to have taken

15. Roden alone. Henry was to have taken his 1st Lupa in Summer. but his tooth gave him so much pain that he was quite miserable. soon after I washed the Affair, he and his Mamma came in. His tooth had been drawn and he was comparatively easy.

16 I rode in early to do in the collecting Club
of the Union. Brought to put Fletcher's Acc. for
\$84 due that day to my account.

17th - I walked in early to attend the Cavendish Bazaar. I signed the conveyance and other instruments to Edw^d. Bedford of a portion of the land sold in Darnley Street for £415 to Waterhouse. Mary came in to join in the conveyance. Helen &c. Henry took his first lesson in German from Mr. Paley - We afterwards walked home mounted on horses and rode towards Abingdon bridge. My horse came down with me.

came down with me.
18 Walked in lake after hearing Henry
Sayre. Leprosy.
19 Walked in with Henry. Sketched his
German house. Rode out with a young surgeon.
Aunt who died with us. He had brought

out a parcel from Wimpole and saw her
 before he left England. At home till the 20 Sept.
 afternoon when I walked up to Ebury. Ran
 and sat an hour with him. Met Lady Radder
 and Mr. Eving. Evening we had some rain
 a beautiful fresh sunny morning. May 21.
 and her eldest daughter and Charles at Elizabeth
 Church. Rode in with Henry and Edw. 22.
 Rode home with him. I performed walking. The same
 sent a note to the Gov. to say that no Travellers ^{and Mr. Sin.}
 Exp^t had been issued to Mr. Bone since ^{direct with}
 Mr. Baines' retirement. Walked in and out 23.
 with ~~Pickens~~ Henry. Saw Pickens twice. ^{called}
 walked in and out with Henry. 24. ^{and} Henry
 walked in with Henry. I had just him 25. Letter to
 to write a happy letter to Erasmus to go ^{live} by
 by the "Sons of Commerce". He was to have
 sailed at 11 but did not get away till
 2 1/2 P.M. - Egg sent me two copies of
 Chas. Lambes Tales from Shakespeare.
 Walked in and out with Henry. Pickens 26.
 came part of the way home with us. It
 came on to rain but not heavily.
 Erasmus sent me a note for £50. part pro. 27
 of my acceptance sent to him on 25. I put
 £50 more to it and enclosed the £50 to
 Flaherty to pay his accept in my favor due
 29. Monday I do not know the particulars
 of Erasmus bill. Walked in and out alone

Mr. Manley sent me an old Bay Horse to
 look at. He wants £12.12. for him. I do not
 think he will suit. I might buy a better looking
 horse at another post 5. I sent Cowell to bring
 him out at all events. I can but try him.
 18. At home. Some of the family at Church.
 it was a wet morning and in the afternoon
 threatened rain. At 3 o'clock.
 29. I rode Henry in and out with the same
 sent me by Mr. Manley to look at.
 30 Henry and I walked in and out
 Oct. 1. We had a Cab to take us into town and also
 Ran... to bring us out. Took in Playhouse ^{and also}
 Paid Pahl and Pocher in Dumitille for Pickens which
 to this date. I sent to him for the use of his musical parties.
 Mr. Bell 2. Walked in and out alone. I sent Mr. Bell
 £125..12.. a Cheque for Rent to 31 May last £125.12.
 which included interest at 8 per cent. to 30 May.
 I met E. Bedford on my way into town &
 he gave me a Cheque for £50. towards prin-
 cipal & interest.
 3. City Surgeon Murray looked at Manley's
 Horse, and decided that the sores and bare
 places were the effect of mange. I sent him home
 the same evening. Hay had our stable at
 the office whitewashed. I rode the horse in with
 Henry and took him home.
 4. Walked in and out alone.
 5. Mary the two girls and Henry at Church.
 At home all day. Received from R.
 Evening 6. Mr. Bell walked in and out. It took a lesson of care

Rode the horse Jay in and out alone. Picked up October
 sent the children some oranges. The Lumbago
 so bad that I could hardly sit upon the
 horse. This as I was much better yesterday
 I attribute to the change from Wacum to
 extreme cold. The mountain showed a good
 deal of snow this morning.
 I walked in alone and out with Henry who I
 came in with. His name and Mary. They rode
 out. I was greatly inconvenienced with the
 Lumbago. Snow so bad and the weather so
 unfavorable that I could not leave the house. Rain
 I sent a note to Prout with a check for 42¢. ^{right}
 and Larkin as the postman and to represent ^{and} Day.
 as at the distribution of the prizes of Water
 colour drawing which is to take place at 4 P.M.
 All our hounds turned out. Plans. At home 10
 all day Lumbago worse. It does not seem to have
 reached its crisis. The messenger brought me out a
 sort of folio of papers which I signed and returned.
 Picheno came out and sat at home with me. Henry
 rode his pony into town to take his gunman. Upon he
 called and saw Picheno. The Lumbago is much 11.
 worse today than it had been at all. Picheno called
 and gossipped at home with me. At home all day 12
 but a great deal better. Fine weather. The family at
 Church. All except Baby who acted as my companion.
 Nobody called all day. Still at home, not quite so 13.
 well today as yesterday. But I am mending a
 doubt. Henry called in to take her gunman. Upon
 It is now near 3 P.M. and it rains fast. My horse

October
 Rain and Wind
 Henry will get wet. I have just signed and sent
 off a sort of folio full of papers.
 14. Edward sent out a cab and Henry and
 I came into town. Fraser gave me the
 drawing that Prout made for me, a poor
 washing thing not worth a frame. At the
 Gov. House dinner. The party consisted
 of the following -

Ainsworth... 1	Mason... 2
Barnes... 2	Pedder... 2
Barnes... 2	Powers... 2
Bicheno... 1	Miss Kemp... 1
Bolton... 2	St. John... 1
Boyer... 2	A. J. Wilkes... 1
Burges... 2	
Dennis... 5	
Foster... 1	
Fraser... 1	

It was altogether a very pleasant evening.
 Every one seemed at his ^{or her} ease and did
 as they liked.
 15. Walked into town alone. Henry came
 into town with his mamma and sister.
 They went to the Horticultural Show. Afternoon.
 I went there with Picheno. Father upon
 display altogether.
 16. Attempted to walk into town with Henry
 but found the task too much for me and
 sat at home all day. Simpkinson who was

Sketching at our Gate came up, took some
lunch and looked over some of my sketches.
Walked in with Henry by 10^{3/4} - Called upon Mr.
The Private Secretary - Two Ships had arrived
The "Equestrian" with prisoners and the "Calcutta"
Received a letter from Bill. He is coming out
immediately in the San Francis and may be
expected in a few days. Walked in with 18
Henry. But nothing asked him to come out
dinner with us tomorrow. He declines
indeed was engaged, and would not promise
for Monday - I shall not trouble myself to ask
him again - If he cannot get a dinner any
where else. He will dine with me. May 3, 19
The children except Baby at lunch. A cool
and rather windy day - Walked in and 20
Henry came in afterwards espousing Pony to
take his German Lesson. Walked in and out 21.
alone. At the Council from 2 till 2^{1/2} and then
adjourned till Friday. Lukin employed for 22
a hour or two upon the A/C of 1840. Walked
in and out - indeed I have no other means of going
and therefore shall omit this very important part 23
in future until I avail myself of some other means
of transport. Bickens and afterwards Fraser, told
me that there had been a scene at Gov. House
a day or two previous to Mr. Barrow and Miss
Kemp's departure for Norfolk Island. Mr. Barrow
said before several people not intimate of Gov.
House, "Ah! We should not have gone to Norfolk
Island if you had not wished to get rid of me"

1845
October

Mr. Excellency had quite a fit to with them
after that. Miss K. said ^{myself} ~~after~~ a little earlier
one day. Well if I was a man I would never
marry, I would have as many women as
I liked without marrying. Why said she.
you are a perfect devil. and if I am re-
joined the lady. So badly you are another.
What must have passed between these male
and female worthies before so peculiar an
interchange of opinions could have been
justified. I can imagine but shall not
describe. It was Lukin's own account
of what passed and what I understand
he has most liberally circulated among
his friends and acquaintance -
24 Lukin walked in with me. At one went to
Council nothing done. Estimates postponed
till Tuesday next. Lukin at work for me
two or three hours. There was a Bill read
a second time for amending an Act to
amend and act intituled &c. and to define
more especially the meanings of the words
absconding and being illegally at large, but
after a deal of loose discussion it was
found that the proposed bill was not at
all calculated to effect the object intended
nor indeed any other object until it had
undergone changes and suffered addition
till it was no longer cognizable -

About 3 o'clock walked up to the mills on the Eound stream near the factory en-
deavouring to meet or fall in with a party
who were to have been sketching in that
locality - After wandering about some
time I returned to Fraser not having
seen any of the party though as it after-
wards appeared I was at one time very
near one of them at least. - Simpkinson,
Kay, Perout and myself dined with
Fraser and an excellent spread his
Butler had made of it - Mock turtle
soup - Four quarters of ham. Stewed
Beef of Hal - Cattle's ale something
New olives, Ox palates and Sweetbread
Blanc mange Lillies &c. the whole per-
fectly well dressed - put on the table
exactly at the time prescribed and the
whole conducted with so much quiet
and regularity that a disciple of Epicurus
might have envied us the luxury of our
feast - "If such dinners thou canst give"
Out, with thee Schump to live -
Kay brought me as far as the Raddon
turning and then I insisted upon getting
out and walking home - Mr Bell and
Perout had dined here and I found
they had taken the girls back with them.
A ship the "Castle Eden" came in yesterday 28.

- with troops from England. I forget the no-
of the Regiment. It is doubtful whether
whether the 57th will move on to India im-
mediately. The disturbances at New Zealand
will probably arrest their departure.
Mary, Henry and Charles gone to America
the baby is left as a legacy to me.
27. Walked in and out. Henry rode into town
to look his German lesson.
28. At the Cavendish Board. Walked in. At the
Board till near 1 and from one till near 5.
at the Council.
29. Rode in. and came out with Swans ton
Cavendish Board till past 12. At the Council
till 5 1/2 -
30. Went into town at 9 1/2 in a cab. At the Cav-
endish Board till 12 1/2. Then at the Council Room
but there were not members enough to form
a Council.
31. Cavendish Board till 12 1/2. At the Council
from 1 till near 4 when the members for the
second time this week, without waiting for
the 1st Sec^y adjourning then walked out
of the Room. leaving the business of the
day in an unfinished state. Rode in &
200.1 - Kay drove out. We met at Council upon
a special summons. But there were not a
sufficient number to form a Council. The pro-

accordingly adjourned the Council till Nov^r
Monday week / the 10th - Army and I rode - light
home in a cab. We had an hour's rain but
not sufficient to lay the dust. Swanton
Ken & Kennode. resigned. Jeyson told
Richens it was his intention to do so.
but he wanted to make a speech and so
~~leaving~~ his resignation before the public
but in ending was too cunning for him
and telling him that there was not a
Council. turned his back and refused to
listen to him or Ken who was doing
nothing - A little rain for half 2 Nov^r
on how this morning - ^{which} though fresh.
ing hardly mottens the surface of the
ground - Mary and the girls gone to
Church - I walked over to Fletcher's looked
at the garden and also at his new house -
walked in and out. Henry took his gun. 3
Swanton, Dr. Kennode, Jeyson, Ken and
Fenton have resigned. Turnbull called to
talk over Bowler and Riddle. - case.
walked in and out. Saw Isaac Whiteno. 4
as usual. At the Council Board before 10 to - 5
announces an recommendation in the
above case - Johnson brought me a horse
to look at. Chestnut - tried him in the signet.
said he went very well. He wanted to give
£20 for him if I liked him. Rode him 6

1045
Hill
Arrived

Rain
all
night

Heavy
Rain in
town

Showery

Fine
warm
day

Showery

into town with Ken on his pony - joined
Fletcher - near the Dallas and we met Hill
who ~~arrived~~ was on his way out to see me
and Mr. Hill arrived the evening before
about 8 o'clock Army and I accompanied
him on board. Saw Mr. Hill and brought
them on shore again and out to Newtown
where they remained till him and then gave
us in a heavy shower to go on board that
evening.

of Rodette's new purchase in and out. Hill
called. Saw Richens he told me that Stouffitz
had accepted the offered seat in Council and
that Buttrick and Edw^d Bidder had refused.
J. E. had written to Sinclair and J. Walker
but had not received an answer.

J. Rode in and out. Henry met me on the
road with his pony. I accompanied
Richens as far as his father's - Hill came out
and remained with us all night -

J. Hill drove the Chestnut with the pig into
town directly after breakfast to fetch his
wife. They went to Newtown where Mary
and the children met them - They dined
here early.

10. Edward and I walked into town. Then
hot and threatening rain which came on before
we reached the office. Hill came in with
Larkin in the pig. and as he and wife went
to dine with the Barnetts I drove Larkin

home. The Chestnut went pretty well. but the Rose
 Cellar is too small for him.
 A beautiful Still Sunday morning but the 11.
 fall of the mercury in the Barometer pro-
 nounced a change. It came on to blow very
 hard about 10 o'clock and continued through
 the day. At home. Hearing Henry his lessons &
 drawing and writing. Men. For the Mon-
 intrusion in question and suspicion from the
 Church of Scotland see Blackwood for
 February 1844. In Eadley sent farm. 12
 To say that if Mr. Parker did not accept a
 vacancy in the Customs of £120 a year. My
 son should have it. As he had offered Mr. P.
 a better place at Lancaster. He concluded
 he would prefer it. Nothing more passed.
 Drove in and out. Saw Kill. Went aboard the
 "Jane Francis" and saw Mr. H. After taking his
 Gunner's Lupon. Henry came down to us.
 Received through Gill. Sir John Franklin's 13
 pamphlet and a long letter from Sir J. dated
 24 May off the North Coast of Scotland.
 many and my eldest girl came into town.
 I drove the young lady home in the 13
 Drove in and out. Henry came in for his 14
 Gun. Lupon. I walked in. Wind from S.E. 15
 Cold drizzling morning. It cleared off in
 the afternoon. At Richens with Kill
 afterwards at Fraser's. Almost there. Met
 Scott. 52. Mr. James Post Office Comm. / Port

Non intrusion -
 Church of Scotland

In John Franklin

Light Rain

Richens, Snipkinson, Kay & Dr. Burnett.
 Kay drove me as far as the turning out of the
 Riddon Road. A fine mile still weening.
 16. Fine morning. Sea breeze set in early. Mary
 and the girls gone to Church. The rest at
 home. Afternoon Henry and I at Church.
 17. Began mowing. The men are to mow. Make, and
 start for the day. Drove in and out. I saw
 Crosby the blacksmith of the "Jane Francis". He told
 me that Hill and his wife left about noon for
 Campbell Town.
 18 Drove in and out. Fine weather for Kay.
 19 - do - do. Raining. I went fishing with
 Lukin and Henry.
 20 - walked in. The score being employed
 drawing in the day. Kay drove me home.
 In the evening Port came with his wife and
 six others to try their skill and fortune in
 the Bay. Edward and Lukin took them out
 they caught a few fish and returned about
 9 1/2 -
 21. Drove in with Henry. Sent Pable 12 1/2
 it was rather more than I like to him by far.
 22 Raining all the morning. Saw Richens
 forwarded Lukin's appt. to Proctor the Actg
 Coll. and at noon sent down Lukin with a
 appt. to Proctor to the same party who sent L. kindly
 and desired him to put his name down with the
 The Customs Book and then he would receive pay for Saturday
 and Sunday. This indeed was one of my objects in
 going early into town. I wrote to Sir Eadley to

thank him for Lukin's Appt. I expected the
 Sketching Club to dine - but the weather was
 against them coming, so, at Lukin's sug-
 gestion I wrote to tell Mary there would be
 no party. The weather got fine the message to
 Mary did not reach her till the afternoon &
 Fearer had written to say they would all come.
 But Dickens had spoilt all and I am not
 Pinner by saying that the dinner had been
 put off - and I may add "I am die-
 ing" - home of the Family at Church 23. Rain
 continued fast all day - At home raining 24. Rain
 walked into town. Drizzling rain came out 25
 with Kay. Kay drove me in and out - 26
 called at Price's to enquire after Ciacroft. He
 was very ill. They entertained no hopes of a
 favorable change. Kay drove me in and 27
 I walked out with Lukin. At home in the 28
 Morning the weather exceedingly hot. In the
 afternoon Offer sent out a note from Sir E. 29
 saying he wished to see me. I went into
 town in the Cab and walked out with Lukin. Rain
 I saw that Gov. Kill called. He arrived evening
 per Coach last evening. Walked part of the
 way into town and rode with Elliston the rest 29
 The Devent arrived. Saw Dickens. Kill
 came out with me in a Cab. Heavy rain
 through the night. He came furiously all
 the way home and we should have got wet
 through in the Cab if Kill had not let up his
 boots.

Walked out 5 days.
 Pinner
 Pinner

Nov. Umbrella: Fine breezy day - May drying fast.
 30. The men at work shaking it up and spreading
 it to the sun and wind. At home all the morning
 strolling about and gossiping with Kill.
 In the afternoon at Church with Kill and Henry
 Dec. 1 The two men who had engaged to stack the hay
 did not make their appearance. So I hired two
 others and they though not very practical hands
 contrived to get most of it up by Tuesday or
 Wednesday.
 2 Walked in and out the horse moving fast -
 3. Regatta. Took Mr. Bages and the children to the
 point of the land on which are House Strand.
 and there we deposited our baskets. Evans
 and his family made up the party. Kill was
 full of fun.
 4. Walked in. Kill dined on board the "Jane
 Frances" and slept there.
 5. The Evans dined here. Kill left the ship
 and accompanied me to Newtown. I felt much
 and had done so for several days. I had been
 indulging more than usual and now felt
 the effect of it in a slight bilious attack.
 6. Still uncomfortable. Dry toast for breakfast
 and no dinner. Mary and the children went
 to Church. It was extremely hot.
 7. I drove in and out. Ciacroft died about 10 o'clock
 this day. I wrote a note of enquiry to Price on
 Saturday. and the answer was unfavorable.
 8. I walked in to let Kill drive Mary in later
 in the day but the weather was not promising
 and she accordingly put off her visit to town.
 I drove home by myself. Only heard of poor

poor
 Ciacroft
 died.

Crockett's death this day though he died yesterday.
 Henry in and still drove him out of 10
 walked home - At the Customhouse. Signing a Small
 Bond for Lukins honesty - Saw Richards and Showers
 promised to go out with him to attend Crockett's
 funeral. Drove Hill in and he took back the 11
 gig. At Crockett's funeral - The Bishop performed
 the service and Ewing acted as Clerk. A shower
 came on and continued all through our walk
 to the grave. Went to Michens' garden and had
 some fruit. He afterwards put me down at the
 bridge. Drove Hill in - Henry walked in with 12
 his mamma - and Mary. I drove the latter out. Very fine
 the others walked. Hill went by the evening Weather
 Coach to Richmond on a visit to his friend
 Lyman. Drove Henry in. we remained 13
 till 2. He wrote a copy and did two more in
 long division. in addition to the copy he
 said at home - He afterwards rode upon his
 pony for half an hour and then played
 Cricket with Geo. Fletcher and Young Evans
 the old Dep. Surveyor's son. The boys remained
 and spent the evening. A fine game they had
 of it. Drawing in the morning. Afternoon 14
 Went with Henry to Church. Had a rather long
 gossip with Mr. Ewing. Drove Hill into Town 15
 At dinner time ~~with~~ ^{drove him} up with to Stephens
 where we dined. Meeting Col. Bloomfield two
 other officers of that Regiment. Dr. Robertson
 Mr. Brown of the 1st Bank. Hayward & Col.
 Elliott. The horse came home with us in good
 style. Drove Hill in and out. Fletcher dined 16
 with us also Henry and Mary to honor them

1845
 Dec. 17
 Perhaps birth day. Milligan was to have
 come out but his wish to get to Lancaster
 where there was a Regt waiting for him, prevent-
 ed it. Drove Hill into Town but he walked out
 Mary and the eldest girl walked in. and
 returned in a cab. Beautiful
 weather. 18. Drove Hill in. but sent the gig to Treason
 to have the screws tightened. Dined with
 Peckens. we were to have had a quartett
 but the fourth musician came not. When
 got out his Telescope and we had a fine view
 of Jupiter and his satellites. Very fine
 very disappointed us with his cab and we
 went home in a wretched vehicle and our
 wretched horses that we met on the way. There
 were two boys and they flogged the beats
 incessantly but nothing could get them
 out of a walk. do
 19. Drove Hill in and out. we walked up
 to scents and looked at his goods. Evening
 fishing at Mullam walls. Hill caught a black
 cod the first fish according to his own acct.
 he ever caught. Saw Mr. Alderson and perceived
 he was caught. Henry played attend him
 20. Drove Hill in. Settled Accounts with
 Evans. He paid me £14 and I accepted
 a bill at 6 months for his accommodation
 for £65. at home early. 21. At home in the morning. Afternoon at
 Church. Goshie was there with the Ewings.

asked him to come and dine with us on
 Wednesday - but he said he was going up
 the Country with skill. Walked in Post 22.
 with skill. The horse required shoeing -
 Henry and I rode into Town before breakfast.
 at Hunt's Sale. The fords sold for enormous
 prices. I bought nothing. Gave Bill in B. 23
 out. we accompanied Richens to Woodleys
 to choose some patterns of paper for his new
 residence at Newtown - I got up at 3 1/2. 24
 called Bill and then walked with him
 to meet the Coach at the Maypole. He went
 off for Campbellton. That vulgar drunken
 fellow Dobson was on the Coach with a
 cigar in his mouth and indelicately sat in
 front of Bill, their knees touching. A Clear
 still morning. the Sun rose in unclouded
 splendor. but the day was boisterous
 cold and Sleet. Henry rode in with me
 and took his Epithet - "Epithet, a King of Men
 Elis, son of Praxonides in the age of Lycurgus.
 he reestablished the Olympic Games 338.
 Years after their institution by Heracles, or
 about 884 years before the Christian era.
 This Epithet is famous in Chronological History;
 as every thing previous to it seems involved
 in fabulous obscurity - " Mary the two 25.
 girls and Henry gone to church. It blows
 a Gale of Wind from N.W.

1845
 Dec.

Bill left for
 Campbellton

Men. With respect to the treatment of Convicts
 we hear the Govt continually referring to
 a System - as if it were a matter perfectly
 established and understood. The newspapers
 speaking of a System. The people concerned
 in the control and management of the Prisons
 talking of a System and every now and
 then the Ministry of State in the House of
 Commons appealing to a System. In short
 there is no end to the waddle about Systems.
 Now I have been 22 Years in these Colonies
 and have not yet been able to find out in
 what this so much talked of System consists.
 I have never observed that so far from the Govt
 acting upon any uniform plan in its treat-
 ment of the prisoner, that it is on the contrary
 perpetually shifting its ground and bending
 most unnecessarily to circumstances. One
 Convict is recommended to the Caring of
 the Govt by a Member of Parliament of
 who votes with the Minister. Another is named
 as a fit object of indulgence by the Officer
 commanding the detachment that escorted
 the prisoner to this country, a third had
 acquired the good opinion of the Surgeon-Super-
 whose conduct he recommended or should make on the

propose out. A ^{upon his landing} Banks clerk is allowed to 1845
 resume the ship he wore when he committed
 the forgery that sent him to this country and
 the son of an eminent Sugar Planter - is taken
 into the St. Gov's own office and suffered to
 contribute an hebdomadal paper to the
 favored journal whose interest it is to laud
 the present ruler and expatiate upon the un-
 bending and inflexible nature of his conduct
 towards the convict population - He shert
 by some casualty or other the absolute want
 of punishment to be expected is always un-
 certain notwithstanding the solemn sentence
 pronounced upon the Culprit, and therefore
 so long as there is a chance of evading the
 pain of hard labour, hard fare, and strict
 discipline, punishment is shorn of its terrors.
 Lack of opinion that is the want of a system
 the want of some mode of treatment applied
 to all alike without the slightest distinction
 that ~~has~~ has caused transportation to
 become so utterly inefficacious as a ^{terror} ~~means~~
 to evil doers or as a means of producing
 reformation in those undergoing it.

I drove Henry into town and out. He took his 26.
 German Lipson. Some ship had arrived but I did
 not make out her name. A long passage. Walked
 up with Henry and saw Dickens at his new house
 He is not yet moved into it and it will be I would

Henry & family
 started for the
 schooner of Mr. G. Ward

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27. Henry and I rode up the Old River Bridge stream
 and conveyed about from noon till five o'clock
 we were unsuccessful in fishing and I could not
 make a Coloured Sketch the Tringquitos & flies
 were so troublesome. We got back about 6. I met
 Dickens and Fletcher on my way back. In the
 afternoon it threatened rain but it went off.
 28. Mary and the two girls at Church. Henry
 was not in time. So he read the prayer and
 lessons with me. Drawing a little - Coloured
 the Sketch I made yesterday - The Caber
 came up about 1 1/2. At Church in the After-
 noon with Henry.
 29. At home all day working upon the Act
 of 1840. A war Steamer arrived yesterday
 30. Drove in alone Henry came in afterwards
 upon his pony. It blew a heavy Gale at night.
 31. Drove in and out alone. Received a letter
 from Mrs. Samuel Chaplin about her son Albert.
 He is an apprentice to the Owners of the
 "Pestonjee Bomanger". The "Pestonjee Bomanger"
 with male prisoners arrived yesterday
 Mrs. C's letter dated 11 Aug. The St. Gov.
 has received a despatch with the new Act
 for disposing of the Crown Lands in this Colo-
 ny. but he has desired by Ed. Stanley not
 to take any steps respecting it until he
 shall have further instructions from
 his lord ship. Dickens has not seen the
 despatch nor any others by the last ship.

1846.

July 1.st It was very fine and clear last evening
and I thought promised a fine day, there
was not a cloud to be seen. It thundered
and rained in the night. After which the
wind got up and blew a gale through the
day - Major Annworth's wedding - that break-
fast at Lady Piddie's - a holiday but the
weather is so disagreeable that we cannot
steer out - yet I hear that there is a picnic some-
where and no doubt it will be well attended
in spite of the wind and heat. "Altogether
his peaces and capers have ^{been} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~been~~
~~been~~ him the contempt and ridicule of
a large majority of the people. Nothing
that he can now say is believed and nothing
he can do but is laughed at. "Capt.
Fitzroy it appears, for what Mr. Hope
said in the house of Commons in July last
upon the New Zealand debate, was recalled
because Lord Stanley disapproved of his
not embodying the militia. Of his financial
projects and his hasty legislation of
there be the established tests of the governing
principles in all Colonial Rulers. A summary
to Sir E. should now be his passage out.

I drove in alone & Henry came in afterwards. 1840
 upon his pony to take his letter. There was to be an executive Council for several objects. 2 Laws
 One was to consider the propriety of granting Mr. Ewing leave of absence to proceed to Eng.
 Bishops told me that, finding the Bishop had acquiesced in the arrangement for Ewing. Sir Cardley had now taken an opposite view and after affirming that he should go and reiterating it, he that morning had written to Bishops to request him to ~~not~~ to advise his body in Council not to allow Ewing to go and requested him to see Bishops and persuade him to join in that advice. They did so and thus left the Bishop in a minority. Ewing was told by his Lordship after the Council broke up that he may expect an unfavorable answer to his application. I saw him on his way out ~~and~~ and he was as may be supposed under considerable excitement at such treatment. After dinner I rode up to the parsonage and sat a couple of hours with the disappointed man. Mr. Ewing had written to Sir Cardley to know their fate and after a time his answer was received. It was a cold unfeeling note saying that although the Bishop faintly recommended

Value of advice and
 advisers in the Council.

Ewing left the day
 cold, windy & stormy

the leave of absence but the advice of the Bishop and the Ch. Pol. Magistrate being strongly against it. he could not ~~at present~~ hold out any immediate hope of Mr. Ewing's wishes being complied with. He expressed no sorrow or sympathy but treated it as an every day case and as though it would make no difference whether they went to England now or two or three years hence. Ewing has taken his passage - paid half the passage money. Sent all his things on board the "Lane Francis" and the goods, furniture and other household matters not necessary for the voyage were all arranged and fitted ready for the conclusion that was to have taken place the next day. The auctioneer was actually waiting his final instructions when the Gov. rode arrived and of course the sale was postponed sine die. I got home about 10 1/2 or 11.
 3. Drove in and out alone. On my return I met Sir Cardley. He stopped to enquire if I had heard anything from Bishops because he had sent ^{an} order that morning to put off the payment of all salaries about £200 a year till the end of the 1st

Quarter of the present Year a very good
 thought certainly and may prevent our
 being under the necessity of increasing
 the public debt to John Bull. It
 struck me that he may have been to
 Epping and if so had probably checked
 them by reviewing their prospect of going
 to England - I walked over to Epping in
 the evening - tried to work the jet steam
 but all in vain - I drank some Coffee
 then afterwards which kept me awake
 the whole night or nearly so. The evening
 was fine but cold. Mary and the
 three eldest of the 9th Division at Church 4 Still
 It blew in squalls through the morning
 which shows that the weather is not yet
 settled - The mercury now stands in
 the Barometer at 29.8. At home all
 day - I drove Henry to Aldhouse for the
 first time. In town early of course. 5
 I drove Henry in and out. he took his life
 walk in and out for the first time this 6
 fortnight - Called at Baker and spoke
 to him about his piano - He wants 50
 pounds or guineas for it - He speaks
 highly of it - The L. J. sent for me 7 A poor
 to speak about - Dr. Jannet and the L.
 Smith, W. Stanley &

Rain & Henry having at last succeeded in getting
 leave of absence, called to take leave of me.
 Henry. It was a most sultry day - The rain came
 on at 7 1/2 and continued through the
 night -
 Rain 9. Showery through the day - I went into
 Shower. Town early dropping Henry at School
 It was then raining smartly - Forster's illness
 Ann - 10. I sent Ann to the Watch house for a
 Poor drunkards on the evening of the 6th
 Forster I think it was. She returns no more -
 dying at Ewing's sale - I bought things to the
 amount of £13 - Forster dying -
 Forster 11. Mary and the Children at Church
 died!! Poor Forster died at 8 o'clock this
 morning - His poor wife and daughter
 Fine team at Swanton's - At home drawing
 Henry and reading the papers - No. 10. My wife & 8.
 Sunny 12. Summer seems now to have established
 very warm - itself. Had finished breakfast by 8 1/2
 A stiff sea Henry goes to school - Went up to the Pass more
 breeze set and getting passengers together - Sent them down
 in a boat of by Cowell - Drove into town - Went with Edw.
 Wind. on board the "Jane Francis" - The evening and all
 the boys had embarked - Sir John Peden -
 Swanton and some others are on board -
 Pitcairn and left about 3 o'clock - I
 saw Capt. Corbin and took leave of him -
 They appeared to be all in high spirits.
 13. The "Jane Francis" sailed but not far
 Edward remained on board till this afternoon.

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Foster's funeral. In his will he requested
that it might be strictly private and
therefore I and many others, did not
attend. As this request was not generally
known a great many officers and civilians
followed the body to the grave as many as
two hundred I understand. The public
offices were all closed at 2 P.M. I drove 14
in alone and returned the same. Saw
Bishens. E. Macdonnell is confirmed in his
oppt of Insuberent Commissioner but with
a recommendation of him to be more cir-
cumspet in his future conduct. I drove 15
spun in but he walked out alone as soon as
he had taken his lesson from Pakle. I received 16
a letter from Skill saying that he should be
in town that evening but having Garrison
with him would not stop at Newtown.
I walked in after hearing Henry his lessons 17
He rode in and attended his German Master.
I hope he is making some progress in the
elementary part of the language or his time
is thrown away. I must find some person
to resolve my doubts upon this matter.
Skill called and sat an hour with me.
I commenced upon my remedy for the
dysentery. A very simple matter and
a mixture of Thomas' recommendations
instead of taking the medicine three times
a day however I found the matutines

not
drawn
in return

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done sufficient at all events, to begin with.
I hear the St. Jov. and the Bishop have renewed
their friendly relations, as they say in the
Royal speeches in parliament. A hint from
the Secretary of state to his Excellency had
Wendy I have no doubt effected this reconciliation.
Cold It was currently reported that St. Stanley
Shewery had expressed his regret at the unsatisfactory
way in which the two great men had
managed their official intercourse and
hinted that if some improvement did not
speedily take place in this state of things
Her Majesty's Government would be com-
pelled to interfere and if necessary
effect a change by removing the Parties
who now seemed animated by any thing
but a Christian ^{or} conciliatory spirit.
18. Rather a stormy night and a windy
morning. Mary and the children gone
to Church - at home all day. Drawing 9.
19. Walked in and out. Saw Skill. Frazar &
Bishens. also Dr. Garrison. Attended the sale
of Gadderden alias Quorn Hall. Heard
that the Saml. Bodding ton had arrived
with Male prisoners from Dublin - Chaplain
Gerrant son is on board as an apprentice.
I sent £55 to Flitater to take up his Acpt.
due tomorrow.
Rain. 20. A very extraordinary morning - there had

Saw some rain in the night. The wind which
 had blown for the time or last three last a Gale
 lulled and it was still damp and cold as in
 winter - The mountain almost covered with
 snow - The mercury in the Thermometer was
 not lower than the points but then it stands
 in the house and of course indicates the heat of
 the rooms - This is strange weather and
 would be alarming in England in the middle
 of July - ^{Hill came up and dined with us} A few times to Albert Chaplin. 21
 by Monks's boat. Positions disagreeable
 weather. Drove in alone. Went off with Hill
 and out alone. Drove into town and breakfasted 22
 with Hill at the Bowling Green. Afternoon
 we went off to the "Sant. Poddington" Saw
 Chaplin as well as a nephew the Chief Officer
 of my old acquaintance. Stood off the Asia.
 Brought Chaplin ashore with me and drove
 him out to Newtown - where he dined and
 slept and returned on board the next morning
 I drove in alone. Hill drove out and I 23
 walked. I wrote to Mrs Chaplin about her
 son - Saw Dickens. He had recommended
 Lukin to fill the situation vacated by
 Mr. Winsor in the Act. of Stores Office, but
 as this did not happen to be in accordance
 with Sir Eardley's views who proposed giving
 the place to some young man who was never
 before heard of - ^{no answer had been received} The Amiga sailed - for 24
 England.

5300 ft. - snow
 in the mountain

"Amiga"
 sailed

July 4 I drove Hill into town and came out alone.
 He went to New Norfolk to see his Sister's husband
 brother, George Sanison. Chaplin came out in
 25. Very warm sunny day. ^{The evening} Mary and the
 children at Church. They like our two Clerk
 or Deacon worse and worse. He must have
 been an Aide Deacon one would think to
 procure a situation that he is ^{so utterly} insignificant
 to fill. After reading the prayers and Lessons of the
 day; no, the second lesson only - my Bible
 printed by Stationers Hall for the British
 and Foreign Bible Society does not contain
 the Apocryphal Books. So that the Book
 of wisdom being omitted with others the
 first lessons of the morning and evening
 service ^{approach for} the conversion of St. Paul must
 be sought in some more complete copy of
 the Scriptures. Well after reading the 2^d
 Lesson for the afternoon service Henry and
 I walked over to Dickens's. He had settled
 himself down comfortably enough in one room
 but the ^{floors of the} others were covered with Casks, Cases,
 Baskets, crockery Beds & Bedding &c. We
 strolled about his garden for an hour and
 then returned home to dine.
 26. Hill returned from Redland about
 the dinner hour. I drove in and out. Chaplin
 here and showing no disposition to return
 on board his ship.

Chaplin remained with us declaring his 27, 28
intention not to go on board again. He would 29
rather he said break stones on the road.
By the bye, it is the only thing I believe he
could do if he were industriously inclined.
Driving Skel in and out, every day, nothing
particular occurred. The Deewent sailed
for England. The Forters (Widow & two Children)
were on board. At ~~the~~ sale of Forters goods. I bought 30
nothing but a small writing desk for many
pounds. I paid twice its value. I bid 44
Guineas for a piano forte but it was knocked
down for 45. D^r Carey bought it. The goods
plate and wine sold very well. I wrote 31
to Sir the Poll Magistrate telling him
how I was situated with respect to George
Chaplin. Determined to do all in his power
to get the Chap aboard his ship. At 8 o'clock
Saw Peovits last sketches. Drove in and out
Bills borrowed Jutram's drawing of Kay &
in the evening I sketched some paper for
him. I saw the Capt. of the "Sam. Boddington"
and told him that I was as anxious to get
Chaplin on board as he could be to have him -
but that I would not have him remain here for
one hundred pounds. When I got home
I learned from Mr. Dyer that the Boys
and Chaplin were gone down to N. W. Bay.
No doubt the young seaman has received

Deewent
Sailed

every encouragement from Lukin and
Edward. who are worse, seeing that they
are older, sailors than himself - If the poor
fellow had anything to teach the defect
in his ^{education} has been supplied before this by his new
allies -

Feb 1. Mary and the Children gone to Chum
Bill at work upon Jutram in the large
dining room. The mercury has risen
in the Barometer to a fine steady weather
sign - but it is not to be depended upon.

Chaplin 2. Drove into Town early with Bill Spokels
Morgan the Chief Constable about Chaplin
and requested him to find him out and put
him on board the "Samuel Boddington" Morgan
Ch. Off. returned in about 2 1/2 hours and a half
J. Bodding and brought the Chief Officer's receipt for
the body of Mr. Albert Chaplin. who I under-
stand was not particularly pleased with
his capture and the way he was disposed
of. Morgan said he looked so cast down
that I gave him a glass of wine to keep
his spirits up. I gave Morgan 20 Shillings

Acquy Detected to cover his expenses. Acquy commenced
Valpy's Detectives with Mr. Aldhouse. On
Skel Sunday last Skel commenced Jutram's
drawing of a cottage in Devondshire but
made little progress in it. He Kenny &

attended Church in the Afternoon. Drove 3^d Feb
Hill into Town. It rained then and had
done so since 5 o'clock last evening more
or less. The "S. Boddington" was not gone. ^{Pain}
at the Cavendish Board for half an hour. ~~at the~~
gave our decision in the case of Mason & Willcott
in favor of the latter - In fact that there was
no legal sale of the property - I have been
looking through the Quarterly Review for
Aug. 45. There is a notice of Lord Brougham's
"Lives of Men of Letters." Coltman's occupies the
greatest portion of the Article. Roupeau's
follows and then comes Robertson's. ^{8th}
There seems to be no doubt of Roupeau's
Suicide. Lord B. thinks that his excessive
vanity gradually turned his brain - indeed
that he had been more or less a madman
all through life. Drove Hill in and out. 4
Hill about I walked in and out. On our way 5
home we called at Boa Vista and looked at
Walker's house. It is very large partly furnished
and, as I think, likely to fall down - The view is
fine and the Sea Breeze would be felt to great
advantage if it had not to pass over the Female
Factory on its way to the house - a circumstance
which cannot tend to purify it. I drove Hill 6
and then sent the gig down to Travers to be
repaired. I felt so unwell that I was obliged
to take a Cab and go home - In the afternoon it

blew so hard that one Hill's return it ~~blew~~
took the spare cushion and the Sheepskin
out of the gig and Hill was obliged to turn
and go back a considerable distance to
pick them up -

^{Pain} 7. At home all day. blowing and raining
all the morning. I was at work upon the
Expenditure of 1840. Richens called but
I had just gone out to get a little air and
sunshine between the showers and so
I did not see him -

S. Mary and the Children at home I drove
Hill up to Mr. Clarke's the purchaser of
Gaddesden. He was not at home. but I
went down and looked at his residence
which Mrs. Clarke told me would soon be
to let - afterwards we walked up to
Richens and gossiped half an hour
with him and Swanton, who had also
made a call.

9. Drove Hill into Town - He went off by
the night mail to Campbellton after dining
with Wm. Robertson - Rec^d a note from Young
Chaplin dated 3^d instant onboard the
"S. Boddington". Drove home alone -

10 Drove Henry into Town and out. He took
his German lesson wrote a French exercise and
a copy in addition to his French & English.

reading at home. Drove into Town and out 11.th Feb.
 Drove in and out. His usual Cypres 12
 Walked into Town Swanton brought me
 out with him. Snow upon the mountain. Snow
 Cold Showery looking weather Letter from 13.
 England - from Winifred and Mr. Chapter
 one for Albert. I wrote to him enclosing his
 Mother's letter and put them into his Jacket Cold
 made up in a parcel. The next day I sent and
 the things to Mr. Mannings to go to Sydney Snowy
 by the "houisa" about to sail in a day or two.
 I walked in and out. Snow still on the 14.
 mountain and Showers passing before it.
 A fine still day though cold. At home early.
 Heard Henry, Leonard and then walked
 about till dinner time. Morning began 15.
 upon a copy of Putnam's drawing which
 still had very imperfectly outlined.
 Afternoon at church with Henry and
 Elizabeth. Fine day.
 A breezy sunny morning walked in and 16.
 out. Walked in and out. In Paddy 17.
 overtook me on my way home -
 walked in and out and so continued until 18.
 a future alteration. At home a holiday 19
 Regatta at New-ports. I took Mary &
 the children over to the opposite Bay where
 we spent the afternoon. with Sketching -
 eating Sandwiches - Winkles & other fish -
 Boiled eggs - drinking tea - making Duck's

Load of
 Coals.
 Winchman

and Drake's. He returned quite safe
 but very tired at Seven O'clock.
 20. In Town - no news. Saw Turnbull who
 thanked me for the pears. Mr. Boyd sent
 him. He had been to the Regatta and on
 his return in the Steam Boat a poor man
 one of the crew fell through the paddle box
 and was broken instantly to pieces. The
 Doctor was extremely shocked at this
 event and much regretted having gone.
 21. At home all day. Drawing & walking
 about Henry went into Town & took his
 German Lesson. Load of coals from Sinclair.
 22. At home all day. Drawing. Walking
 reading the prayers and Lisons of the
 day. Afternoon Mr. Swanton called &
 took leave. He leaves this for Lancaster
 on Tuesday.
 23. Walked in and out.
 24. Drove in and out. At the Cavendish House
 till near or past two. Saw Dickens. He asked
 me to dine with him the next day.
 25. Drove in and out. At the Cavendish House
 till 2 O'clock. Saw Hill. They arrived and
 as they intended to set up their Quarters at
 the Bowling Green. I yesterday sent an
 acceptance of Fletcher's for 50¢ to the Commis-
 sion Bank. and signified I went to place
 the proceeds to my credit. Many came into
 town with their fish to market. I was called by Mr. D.

Again at the Cavendish Board - Drove in and 26 Feb. by
 out - Saw Bichens - I dined with him yesterday
 and met Price - we made up the party - Saw
 Hill, as I did yesterday - Again at the Cavendish 27
 Board till 1/2. Hill came in and out several
 times - I dictated a letter for him, at least in part,
 to the Surveyor General for a new grant of
 2000 acres in which by mistake they had
 left out 200 acres for Symes. I walked in and
 out - Walked in and out - Bedford 28.
 called and talked to me about concerning
 the interest &c. which I declined - In fact if
 I were to lower the interest he would never
 take the trouble to raise the principal and
 pay me off - Besides. He pays me no more,
 than I pay Deane. Reading Col. Dancens
 travels in India. I should rather say a notice
 of it in Blackwood for March 1844. "on this
 occasion his Epicurean ecstasies were not allayed
 by subsequent regrets" "with a heart glowing
 with Epicurean philanthropy he published it"
 At home. A slight painful sensation of pulsation
 at the back of the head and over the eyes. with
 shavings in, indicates a continuance of the disorder
 which I feared the caustic lately taken would
 have carried off. Theodor Beck calls and the
 pains of indigestion - the remorse of a guilty
 stomach "but I am unfortunately at a loss to
 know in what the guilt of my stomach consists?"

The principal
 amount of the
 bill due last
 £7.10.0

Mar
 £60
 from
 Bedford
 I have paid 6/ and
 returned him 9/ I have
 not heard of him since

Ordered
 6 doz of
 Port

Mary, Henry & Elizabeth at Elms. My eldest
 girl is in town with Mr. Bell whom she had
 been since last Wednesday.
 2. Bedford called and under the impression
 that I had not given him credit for all the
 sums he had paid me. I assured him I had
 and undertook to satisfy him after the post.
 He gave me a cheque for £60. Sixty Pounds
 on acc. - Walked in and out. I wrote to
 Sir Caulley, Pres. Secy to explain that H. B.
 invitation to Mr. & Hayes and myself to
 New Norfolk had been at the post office
 from the 9. to 27 of last month. It was put
 into my servant's hand on the last named
 date. Hill called and ran in and out as
 usual all the morning.
 3. I sent Fifty Pounds to Hills' Banker
 to be placed to his credit. This makes £100
 I have repaid him of 184 odd. Walked
 in and out. I ordered some porter from
 Walker and paid him for what I had before.
 He sent out the porter the same afternoon.
 The Hills came out after dark to stay a few
 days with us.
 4. Hill and I walked in and out. He was
 full of trouble and exceedingly irate with
 Pittman for his conduct, dignified, overbearing
 coarse manner of treating him.

a smoking hot morning I drove in and 5 March
out. The Chestnut was in a lattice under
the cellar a pint of it might have been taken
off. Walked in with Hill and out. He is
in quite a fever with Pitcairn and the
difficulties he starts in making the conveyance
of which he never said a word while drawing
out the agreement with Clarke for the sale
of the property - Walked in and out. Left
Hill in town - He was going to dine with
Mr. W. Robertson and then proceed on his way
to Campanian - picking up Mr. Hill at
Newtown. After an early dinner. I walked
her over to the Risdon Road and the coach
soon arrived. Smith Lewis & Co. were in the
coach with another lady & a change to me
Mr. Hill and his servant. I was then filled it
Hill and Gregson were packed up behind.
A fine breezy morning quite cool. Mary & I
all the young children except Baby at
Church. She was my companion for some
time - Reading Wilson and Blackstone
on the Law of Mortgages. Walked in & out 9
The "maid" from England 27 Nov. had arrived
No news. Recd. a note from Hill and wrote to. 10.
him. Sent him also a letter from Pitcairn. Dined
with Pickens - but Briggs, Burnett, Price,
Tracer, Horn, Fleming & Fletcher. The Venison
was far too high for me. So I sent away untasted.

March 11. Walked in and out. I sent to Walker to
12. request that he would take back the Some
Antennae and send a few dozen of Porter
instead. Hill having come from Campanian
in consequence of ^{illness} ~~illness~~ ^{illness} note of the 10th.
I wrote to the Col. ^{Smith} ~~Smith~~ ^{Smith} for some clerical
assistance. Walked in and out.
13. Walked in and out. Wrote to Winifred by
the "Pestonjee" Romanjee to sail tomorrow
I put the letter in the post office myself and
paid the postage. Hill rode out with Kay.
14. Drove Hill in and out. He took his place
for Richmond. but loitered about after dinner
so long that when we got down to the Risdon
road the coach had passed. The catenning
saw. Last evening we were out fishing. Larkin
or Edward hooked a large Shark and after
a considerable struggle he broke the hook
and got away. During the contest he twisted
our little craft round as if it had been a
Walnut Shell and screwed all the lines
except one together. We caught about five
dozen of Rock Cod. Hill to his own great
surprise was more successful than any of us.
Fine cool 15. Mary and the children at Church all
breezy. The rest at home. I have just written to Mr.
Morning. Pickens to say that Hill will ~~not~~ take
a seat at his dinner table today. Yesterday
I looked over for the second time. Prints, sketches
of Lake St. Clair and Flinders Island. This

Winifred
Pestonjee 13.
sailed 14.

man at Pickens' Office - I looked through the post time 30. March last now nearly twelve months ago. At church in the afternoon with Henry Mary and Elizabeth I spoke to Booth about the parsonage and he promised to enquire whether or not it was still to let. Walked in and out of town. Saw kill off 16. by the Richmond Coach - We dined at W. R. East evening met Simpkinson, Perout, Fraser, & Mr. Tule. Sir Caudley sent for me. He wanted to speak about the Quarterly Return of App'ts and the end of it was he asked me if I could have it made over again embracing some additions he had made to it. I sent the amended Return to him with a note on Wednesday - He complained about the impossibility of getting any thing from the Col. Sir Caudley off. There was a great number of Clarks and nothing done - Conditional pardons remained for weeks unpublished - He mentioned this to me he said in confidence. It was not Pickens poor man but the Clarks in his Office he complained of. What a jumble of nonsense - He expects Pickens or the Clarks in his Office to supply remarks explanatory of the new App'ts when in 5 cases out of 10 Pickens himself knows nothing of the App't nor why it is made till long after the fact has taken place. See App't of Mr. Kaynes to the Office of Land and Water at Sacramento. without Pickens' knowledge.

March even and it was only when the Collector enquired respecting the usual men from the Col. Secretary, announcing the App't to the Head of the Dept that Pickens became acquainted with the matter. It seems Sir Caudley wrote a line upon one of his cards and desired Mr. Kaynes to take it to the Collector and so the affair was conducted - Sir C. should at least have sent Mr. Kaynes and the card to the Col. Secretary and then through the regular, authorized Channel have made the appointment.

17. Received a letter from A. Chaplin. Drove in and out.

18. Cheddystone called and reminded me that a bill of mine for £63 accepted by Fletcher had been presented at the Deewent Bank and refused - I sent to Fletcher and got his acceptance for the same amount which I immediately sent over to the Bank. in place of the other.

19. Rainy. Drove in and out.

20. It rained heavily last evening and night and thundered a great deal this morning early. Drove in and out.

21. Drove in and out. I did not see Pickens. Yesterday brought home Pontic's Sketch Book. After looking through it at the Office -

22. At home all day the morning. Afternoon

one of the servants beat at the Chamber door and called upon me to come out directly. I rushed down to the common dining room and there saw - what, if I could have understood the full extent of the misery before me, would have turned me into stone - My own innocent boy dreadfully burnt - his skin peeling off in his mother's arms and smoking pieces of his bed gown lying about the room - His screams were most appalling and he ~~was~~ looked imploringly as I approached for some alleviation to his agony - At that awful moment I seemed to be aware of God's ministration of peace - and thought the dreadful infliction upon my child was for my sin - and perhaps it was - Bedford was sent for, and soon appeared, although it must have been an age of agony to the ~~poor~~ ~~little~~ sufferer. The child was put into cold water and seemed to feel a ~~momentary~~ momentary relief - Bedford came, dressed the sufferer's wounds which though not deep were most extensive - In about two hours or perhaps three hours from the time of the accident the baby sunk exhausted to sleep - After a time he came a little awake

for food which was given to him then for an apple, when he closed his eyes and about two o'clock after a slight convulsion motion of the lips his pure and gentle spirit left fled to its God - Henry came in to the office about half past two. He had been up to summon Mr. Bedford who was out at the orphan school - a little after that I returned home with still trusting in God that my dear boy was better - I saw Bedford's name in the stable and asked if he was in the house when I went much affected said "yes Mr. Bedford was there but that baby was no more!" The little body lay till Thursday upon the couch on which its spirit left it and was then deposited in the coffin - There it remained till Friday afternoon and about four o'clock the grave closed over it - Mr. Foster performing the Service. What homes have this poor mamma and I passed - She appears to feel one less more than myself and is almost broken hearted - George, Luke, Edward, Henry, Charles, Mr. Brown, Edith and myself attended the funeral also Mr. Bedford whose conduct throughout the

From 30
March to
the 3^d April

Last event had been most kind & moderate. 4.
 Signed Warrants and other papers & April
 sent them into Town in the Chaise with
 Kill. - In the afternoon he his wife and I
 walked up to look at Mr. Stephens' house
 on the other side of the Newtown road: It
 was a large unimproved place too wild &
 too extensive for me - At home. Reading 5.
 and writing - I cannot at all times believe 6
 in the reality of our loss. Every time I take about
 the house and grounds brings him up to my
 before me. I hear his voice morning noon & night.
 Certainly he enjoyed the greatest portion of
 happiness that could have fallen to his lot in the
 brief space allowed him. The house and grounds
 were his world for he knew no other having
 scarcely ever travelled beyond their precincts.
~~He~~ They were his Empire over which
 he ruled supreme. Brothers, Sisters, Servants
 and all the domestic animals owned his sway
 in that place ~~the~~ interest. A former took
 seems destroyed. I am no longer anxious to
 remain here - ~~he~~ was the light and life
 of it, is gone - I went into Town with Kill to
 see about the masonry for the Baby's grave. I
 saw a Mr. Smith who promised to have all
 ready in about a fortnight - I walked home
 and called on my way ~~after~~ at Mr. White's
 to ~~have~~ order the wooden Casing for the

Perry, as usual his attendance at
 Alderman's Court established at Fitchburg

April - 1. Endless but he was out at home - In the
 afternoon Mr. Foster called and sat half an
 hour with us. He is very much he appears
 to be a zealous, obliging, impressive, young
 person and I intend to be civil to him.
 2. Kill is gone into town with the Chaise I
 signed the warrants and other papers and
 sent them with him - In the afternoon walked
 with Charles round to Mr. White's but he was
 working at Fitchburg. We called there on our way
 back and he promised to have the fence ready
 as soon as possible but said it would be a while.
 3. Breakfast with Pichens. Heard Mary &
 Elizabeth read English and also French fables.
 Last Alderman the agent of a quarter instruction
 for Henry. Walked up to Norway with Charles
 and taken called out & sat half an hour with
 Mr. Foster. Dined with Pichens. Left home
 about 10. Kill drove into town ^{made a slight}
 4. At home all day - Kill drove into town ^{made a slight}
 new - Pichens told me the other day of an interview
 he had had with the Bishop that morning. (P)
 He ~~was~~ determined to go to England - and had
 made Sir Eardley acquainted with his intention.
 Every facility was promised him and a continuance
 of full salary during his absence. He complained
 of the Bishop of the treacherous part that the
 Antislavery had played in securing for himself
 that which he went to England for the purpose
 of securing to the Bishop. "The Ecclesiastical Supremacy"
 over the Chaplains of the Court Branch.

Lamented at
 Pichens' grave

At home in the morning Mary and all the 10th April.
 Children but Henry at Church. My former Good Friday
 Sweet companion. who was always in the
 habit of divesting her from a two to me in the
 absence of the ^{rest of the} family has left us for ever. A few
 days since and she was together with the ^{rest of the} family
 in front of the house. He amusing himself with
 jumping off the seat and I with looking at &
 kissing him - making him stop occasionally
 to tell me how much he loved me. Still is in
 front of me copying a sketch that Prout made
 the day before yesterday for him - by way of
 explaining the mode of using a new invention
 for water Colours called Mijellish or some
 other unmeaning name. At Church in the
 afternoon with Charles and Henry. At home 11th
 all day. Still drove in and out. Rain
 At home all day. Cold, Windy & Showery. 12th do
 Mary and the Hills at Church. I drove 13
 Hill in and out. for the first time since
 the 6th when I called upon Strutt about
 the Dead & other Stones for Baby's Grave.
 Called upon Prout and saw two drawings
 he had nearly finished for Mr. Steigitz.
 Before breakfast at the Church. Gail saw 14
 Baby's Grave. Saw Mr. Strutt the Superscription
 Drove Hill in and out. Walked in and 15
 out alone. Called at Stracey's about the con-
 cordance which I supposed he had bought
 for me at Milner and so he had - 18th. On
 my way home looked at Lowe's house late
 in the day. There are few conveniences about it.

April. But it would answer my purpose if the Kent
 was low. Called and saw Louis Child who
 was lying dangerously ill. Saw Frank
 Mrs. Hill and Mary were both there.
 16 Drove in and out with George.
 17 Drove Hill. Walked with him up the
 Valley to look at Kossons House which is
 to be sold tomorrow. On our return
 saw Fleming's new house and some others
 almost finished in that neighbourhood
 which is improving very fast. Dr. Milligan
 came out to dine with us. The English Sat.
 noon was better than ordinary.
 18 Hill drove in alone. I walked in with
 Lukin after hearing Henry's Lesson French
 and English. Sent to Grace of Leicest to
 Lady Pidda. As Hill and I returned it
 came on to rain and it was a wet evening.
 19 At home in the morning Reading and
 writing. The weather would not permit the
 family to go to Church. At Church in the
 afternoon - very squally.
 My dear Baby's Coffin was 3 Feet 9 in.
 Baby measured a few weeks before his
 death. 2 Feet 11 ³/₄ in.
 20. Hill and his wife set off for Mr. J. Hamlin
 about New Norfolk. It was a cold Showery morning.
 I drove George in and out.
 21 I drove in early to attend the Cavalry Board

but ~~Ben~~ Turnbull forgot the app^l and April.
 did not come. at the suggestion of the
 Justice concerned the hearing of the case
 was postponed for a month. Will came
 down from New Norfolk - He drove George
 out. I walked. Will started by the noon of 22.
 Coach for New Norfolk. I accepted two Bells
 for £45 each - one for Evans at 6 months of Beautiful
 One for myself at three. Evans was the driver day
 of both. I walked into town and left early
 with Kay who drove me as far as his house.
 Made a sketch of the house and Mountain -
 Walked for an hour with Charles on the
 Sea Shore. On my way into town I walked 23
 round by Newtown Church and visited
 Baby's grave - the stones were placed and the
 husband was at work blacking the letters -
 called at the Brick field to see what they were
 about and to remind allman of the location. Fine
 But due the 31st ult^o he promised to let me
 have it by Monday next. Walked home. It
 grew cold with the sea breeze. Yesterday was
 a lovely day. Charles and Henry gone to the
 Races with Lukin. Walked in and out. 24
 Dined with Bicheno. He told me a good Beautiful
 deal about the Bishop's charge of yesterday day
 which he attended. In the night I felt feverish
 and the skin in an irritable state. Stitches
 came out all over me. I got up at 5 and took
 some Magnesia and Chamberlain - after which
 I felt more comfortable. I attributed it to the
 fish Salmon I think which I ate at Bicheno's.

Cloudy 25. At home all the morning. At 3 o'clock I took
 Henry, Mary and Elizabeth up to Baby's
 grave - The lettering of the stones was finished
 and done very well. It came on to rain
 Rain 26. in the evening and rained all through
 the night - wet day - nobody at Church -
 Draining and waiting -
 27. Drove George in and out.
 Rain in 28. Drove in alone. It was raining hard the
 whole. Had called and looked at Young's
 Showers house before I went into town. The Skell
 through the arrived in the evening.
 day. 29. Drove in alone - Walked up to Foster's
 Lake residence - then to Pounts. He had been
 Showery working all the morning with Feaser and
 Snipkinson - Drove Edwards out.
 Showery 30. Drove Skell in. I walked up to look at
 two new houses at the extremity of Droyth.
 and spoke to the proprietor about them in
 the evening. Called at Pounts on my way
 back. Drove Will out.
 May. 1. Drove Skell in and out - Went with him
 to look at Cottage Green (a miserable hole)
 then to the houses at the upper end of D. St.
 which I looked at yesterday - called at
 Grace Young Pounts on our way back. Wrote to Young
 an offer and offered him a hundred a year for his
 house and grounds at Newtown.
 Evening 2. Drove in alone. Left with Edwards early
 without fishing with the boys and Skell.
 Rain. very poor sport. Evening it came on to rain.

Shutt called with his bill for the stones
 and superscription over Baby's Grave.
 Paid him - There is now only the railing
 to be put up and White promised me on
 the 7th to have it ready in a month.
 A fine mild morning. Mary all the Children
 and the Skells gone to Church. I think I feel
 more sensibly of the loss of my sweet boy
 on the Sunday than any other day. I wander
 about the garden and grounds which only
 a few weeks ago were cheered by his joyous
 presence. They seem ^{changed and} desolate. Look for
 him at every turn - and then the ^{stagnant} ~~latter~~
 truth that he is no longer a tenant of this
 earth comes over my sinking heart.
 Before dinner Bill and I walked round
 the shore under the cliffs - we met the girls
 on the way with Martha. Heard Mary's
 Lisons. Drove in alone. Cloudy dull
 morning but no rain. Sun came out
 about noon. Drove in and out.
 Disagreeable weather. Drove Edward in
 and out. Near home we met Skell I gave
 him a note from Pittman to say that the
 Debt had come back from Port Fairy and
 the cheque for £6500 ready for him. His
 morning Skell drove in his wife to settle
 their affairs and to take care of the people
 who had called up them. I walked in and
 out. I called upon Dinner and got £20 from
 him. This makes my debt to him £1335 to this

May

Departure of
the Skells

Drawing
materials

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6

Rain in
the evening &
night.

8th Late. Drove Skell in and out. He his wife and
 her servant started for Green Ponds in the
 afternoon where the women would sleep.
 Skell proceeding in the mail the same night
 to Laurenceston. Paid Bill of my Bill £84.
 9th Walked in. Rode out with Swanton. We
 Rain in called at the Gov. Garden and strolled abt
 the night for an hour and a half.
 10. Blowing a heavy gale of wind. Mary and
 the Children at Church. At home arranging
 my drawing materials and taking an
 account of them.
 11. Walked in and out.
 12. do do Recd a letter from Skell answer^d
 it by return of the post and closed a letter to
 the Audit Board to go by the "Aden". Mary the
 two girls and Charles came into Town on
 13 foot. Walked in and out. Dull day - but
 looking like rain.
 14. At home all day raining and blowing. In the
 afternoon walked out upon the point with
 Charles.
 Rain 15. Walked in and out. Still morning - In
 evening the evening rain.
 Not a 16. Walked in and out with Spring blowing
 Vessel in a gale of Wind. There is not a single Vessel
 in the Harbour at present except the Idonia
 The Haw. 5th Tenders.
 17. Breakfasted with Dickens. Walked
 up the point till last one in the afternoon.

at Church - alone about the end of the
Second Lesson it came out to rain furiously
and it continued till I reached home
quite wet. Henry and I dined together.
I saw and spoke to Mr. Foster about the
meeting tomorrow of the Branch Bible
Society at New Town. I told him I could
not attend - At home all day - Heavy weather 18.
Drawing and hearing the children say their Morning
Lessons. Drove in and out alone. Letter 19 -
from Bill, he was to embark the date of
the letter a convict ship the Joseph Barker
arrived - a very large mail and voluminous
despatches - no public letters for me.
Drove in and out alone - a letter from 20.
Winifred of the 29 Dec. last announcing
the death of her mother - who died 18 Dec.
at 7 P.M. I sent the letter up to Mary.
I sent Mrs. Bell a cheque for £62.5. sent to
30. "Nov." and interest at 8 per cent to this
date - The Man "James Ormand" paid me
sent up to 30 June next £7.10. - Before I
went home I called at Woods New Rooms to
look at the pictures for the coming exhibition.
Fine sunny morning Drove in & out 21.
Drawing for an hour in the afternoon.
The Sun came out about noon and I drove
in and out. at the picture gallery with Rich.
and this to open on the Queen's Birthday
that is to say the 25. "May" it is to be kept.
Drove in and out. Paid White 10. 16. 0 - 22.
looked at the pictures in the Exhibition Room.

Heavy
Rain.

Morning
Raining

Morning

Morning

Cold
and
showery

22.

23.

May 24. At home all day - Drawing, reading
the papers and lessons and in the eve.
Butler's Analogy.
25. Drawing till it was time to go to
the levee - Picheno drove me in and
out. Went with him to the picture gallery.
I dined with him and he put me down
at the turning in the evening he being on
his way to Govt. House.
26. "Walked in and out - a beautiful
day after the fog had gone off. Picheno
ploughing Capt. at work for me I sent
Connell with the horse and cart and he
brought 2 loads of manure from Long
Hus. Pats. and 4 bus. of oaks for seed. Sent £59
paid for to Fletcher to meet his acceptance due
tomorrow.
27. Raining briskly in the morning
but it cleared up about 11 and I drove
into town. Frader gone to a hunt at
Richmond. I dined at Picheno's. met
Capt. Rice & Mr. Scott of the 57. "at Mr. Mordaunt
and a Rev. Mr. Parker his brother in law
just arrived - Smithkinson, Prout, Kay,
Bumell, Fisher & Symonds. I rode there
and back upon the District. Connell
with me.
28. Walked in - Dry but it blew a gale.
called at Rout and looked at some
Gauze wire for the Cellar window.
Sowed
Oaks in
had near
1000

Walked in and out - fine weather. 29 May
 Went with Pichens to look at some
 tea at Burns and Whites. ^{Cornell went for} Ploughing
 Very fine sunny day - At home drawing 30.
 Hearing the Children's lessons - Secured the
 Celtic windows and capped the Porch which
 I have had some months in the house.
 Pichens' man still ploughing. ^{Dined with}
 Another beautiful day - The mercury up 31.
 to 30.3 in the eve. Drawing in the morning
 afternoon at Church - The Bishop preached
 from 12th of Luke and the 10th Verse.
 It was very cold when we came out of
 Church. Henry attempted to accompany me
 but he was so distressed with the tooth ache
 that he was obliged to return - Visited my
 dear Alfred's grave - White had erected a
 handsome and substantial enclosure
 ten feet square about my child's tomb.
 In the evening Elizabeth read a chapter of the
 New Testament to me and then drew for
 half an hour. Reading Butler's Analogy but
 Henry's tooth gave him so much pain that it
 interrupted my reading. His tooth is not so
 troublesome this morning - Fine sunny
 A fine warm sunny morning - Walked into & 2
 out of Town accepted a Bill for \$20 at 3 Mo.
 for Evans' accommodation dated 1 June.
 Drove in early to attend the Canal Board. 3
 It was over by noon. At the Exhibition for an
 hour - Walked in late after hearing the Children
 their lessons and drawing till 1 P.M. - Yesterday

Ploughing Yesterday finished Ploughing Sowing
 Sowing Killed a pig. The Chestnut Horse ploughed
 Hog. extremely well by himself.
 First 5. Drawing a little before Office - Walked in
 Music and out - a Baigue arrived with female
 lessons Prisoners. Mary and Elizabeth took their
 first lessons in music of Mr. Giles this morn.
 6. Fine morning - cold. Walked in after the
 Board of Children's lessons. The ship from England
 brought me a letter from the Board of Audit
 of Audit acknowledging recd. of Ac^t to 30 June.
 Bright and sunny } at home all day. Drawing - reading prayers
 and lessons and also a sermon of Plavet.
 & leave in and out - Lukin went in with me.
 Saw Pichens prepared a Warrant in favor of
 Gill for the arrears of salary & A allowance
 due to him from 1 June 1845 and now paid
 in consequence of a peremptory order to that
 effect from the Secretary of State - Hearing the
 Children their lessons till near 9 o'clock
 Played a game of Chess with Henry who is
 learning to beat me two games out of three
 9. Drove in alone Bedford called at the office
 to speak about pecuniary affairs. He proposes
 to call at noon tomorrow. Fine day but dull.
 Same Weather
 10. At home till 12 making out Bedford's
 account till of interest &c. He called about 1.
 He was satisfied to find our accounts agreed
 as to the payments he had made me. He promises
 that he should be allowed 10 Percent interest
 as a deduction upon all sums he paid me

over and above the interest due to the Aunt 10 Lira
of £600 the price of the first piece of land. Coals
he bought or agreed to buy of me. Broke in 4 Tons
with Edward. Bedford gave me a Cheque for at an
£60. which I sent to the Bank the same day. Auction
Examining Forth's Campbellton Police Act
to find an answer if possible to a query
from the Auditors. Broke in Court. At the 11
Exhibition for an hour - Saw a small unfinished
picture of Moreland's belonging to and
two pictures by a man of the name of Williams
sent by Foster of the Magazine recently.
Them. The people of this Colony very much
resemble the Americans in their presumption,
Arrogance - Impudence and Conceit. They believe
they are the most remarkable men on the Globe
and that their little Island "whip all Creation"
They are ~~also~~ leaders of the Court Kings and their
Children are brought up in the belief that all
governments are ^{that they are oppressed of their rights} bad and that they are ground
and oppressed by the mother country and worked
by the Officers sent out from England to rule
them - Their views are all of the narrowest and
most selfish kind - They are incapable of any
generous sentiments and ever ready to impute
the basest motives to their fellow Colonists. Lying
Maudering - Every hatred & malice are their
daily aliment and the consumption is
enormous - The range of Mounts Colours

Dry but dull day

Van Diemen's

June appears to be the following. Cobalt Indigo
Indian or patent yellow - Brown pink, Madder
Lake or Brown - perhaps both and Vandyke
or some other Brown, a Sepia - Light Red and
yellow ochre occasionally.

12. At home all day - Heard the children read &
say their French lessons - Afternoon drawing.
Played chess with Ann in the evening.

13. A fine sunny frosty morning - but as I
think threatening Wind - Walked in and out
after hearing the children's reports. I returned
early intending to crop the lower with Larkin
to make a Skete from the other side. But
it was too breezy. Miss Fletcher married to
a Mr. Knight a Merchant in a small way
on the New Wharf - Evening Chit.

14. Fine sunny morning - Cold and breezy.
Afternoon at Church with Elizabeth.

Drawing 15. Walked in and out. The Chestnut is carrying
Manure his living now - we are collecting all the manure
we can get for the potato crop. Cold regulation very
Washed

16. Walked in with Larkin and out alone.

Cold and 17. Walked in alone - Ray drove me as far as
Showery the turning near his house. Very Cold.

18. At home all day - The archdeacon called
to enquire of me privately whether I thought
if the Bishop on proceeding to England, delegate
his Ecclesiastical authority to him the Archd.
The Govt would sanction the issue of a house

Chestnut "Colonial Pressures"
Drawing "See Carrier" 10 Inst.
Manure

allowance during his Lordship's absence to his
 Locum tenens (Mr. Marriott) - I gave no opinion,
 I said there was no precedent that I could quote
 but at the same time saw no good reason why the
 application should not be made to the Gov.
 but I know nothing about it, and take no
 interest in the matter - Walked in and out - 19 -
 Have been occupied this week in hunting
 up answers to queries upon 1841 accounts.
 Had my hair cut - At home all day - 20
 Raining heavily. The ground was quite
 saturated with moisture and the wet
 lay in little pools upon the surface. Drawing,
 hearing the Children's Lessons & through the
 day - A good deal of rain in the evening and
 through the night - Another wet morning but 21
 there were intermissions of rain and a gleam
 of sunshine brightened up the prospect occasionally.
 It was too wet and dirty for any of the family
 to go to church and accordingly prayers were
 read at home. Evening reading, Matthew's Analogy
 and 2^d of Balaam's Letter - Drove into Town & out - 22
 Disagreeable weather. At Board for enquiring
 into the amt. to be paid to Kitchin for his work Rain
 at Lancaster and what the sum? but pronounced
 to be utterly useless - adjourned till Wednesday
 for the purpose of having the evidence of Spent
 and Hunt & two sur. in the public employ. 23
 Drove in and out - There was Executive Council
 do do. At the Board upon Kitchin's case. East
 Miss. Spent and Hunt - Wrote the Governor.
 about Ellis's Salary. 24

June 25. Drove in and out - Very dry. Dined with
 Messrs. Ravae
 Traver and then to hear Messrs. Ravae on the
 Motion at the Old Mechanics' h^l. Room. The lat
 had kind neglected to come for me and
 I was consequently obliged to travel through
 the mud upon an extremely dark night
 to return - I reached home at 11^{1/2} -
 26. Drove in and out - Very cold but drying.
 Took up Jacobs on the road and put
 him down at Kay's - He was full of abuse
 of the L. J. He was quite positive that he
 would be relieved before Christmas and
 indeed thought that Sir Ed. Simpson
 was on his way to this Colony at this time -
 He Pitcairn & Swanson, by exactly the
 same things - Pitcairn gives them the cue
 and though I have no confidence in his
 prophetic spirit yet he is the only one of
 the three with any brains in his head.
 Jacobs cannot conceive how St. Stanley
 could have selected such a man, so utterly
 unfit as a governor! He attaches I suppose
 the same importance to the Gov. of a Colony
 as he would to the Command of a fleet which
 had to keep the sea and manœuvre in the
 face of a wary and powerful enemy.
 27. At home - Sent my acc. to Burchard 700
 to replace same amt. due this day. Also sent
 Evans a cheque for £15 to help him along.
 I reported Kay at 3 P.M. to make a survey
 & estimate of the repairs required at this house

It was his own appointment but he neither came nor sent to say why. Inverted till past four and then walked out and called upon Mr. files. Sat half an hour with him. Fine morning. Still but not sunny. The 28 Murray has risen in the P.M. within the last 24 hours. It is milder today and the snow which yesterday covered the hills almost down to the river has in a great measure disap. The family, except Charles and I, at church. Drove in and out. Fine morning. Heard rumours 29 of paymaster's changes. Burgess goes to Gov. Island. Place to the Commandant there in place of Childs. Turnbull. to succeed Price as Pol. Magistrate. Aug. Wilson. in Turnbull's Office as Clerk of the Councils. See more reports on the 3 July. Drove in and out. Attended Leg. Council, and adjourned meeting. Alison and Orr sworn in. Evening violin for an hour or two. Henry a proposition in Euclid and read Ed. Mas. Drove in and out. Bedford called on Monday 29. and informed me that he thought he would be able to pay off £1000 perhaps 1300 of the fund money of his house. Drove in and out the 30. back by Edward. Dickens and I dined with Fraser and then went to the Council. Drove home. At one at the Council to which we had adjourned on Tuesday 30. Walked in and out. Evening Henry and Mary's lessons a game or two of Chess with the latter who plays nearly as well as myself. Violin for an hour. At the Council from 1 till 3. Walked in and out. at the Exhibition for an hour. Drove in and out. Fine morning. May.

July with Dickens. Yesterday there were more reports. Raining, Pol. Mag. King Ch. do and Mr. A. B. Jones in raimin place. Burgess is gone to Norfolk Island. The morning has been falling since Thursday evening when there was a large hail round the noon. A clear beautiful night. Heavy Rain for two or three hours. Cloudy and dull the rest of the day. All the family at home. Drawing a little. Lead the prayers & lessons for the day. At 8. Drove in and out. Dickens showed me a note from the Governor desiring him to write to his son Augustus and offer him the Police Mag. of New Norfolk and suggesting B to add, and from himself that he should be happy to forward his views in procuring a better situation if such should offer. even after his father had quitted the Colony, provided of course he should be satisfactorily settled with an app. previous to that event. At the Council from 1 to 3 adjourned to the 9. Drove in the Roads are almost impassable. Sent Edward out to buy a piano forte to be sold by Auction that day. Belcher's Sale. Edward bought it for £43. Drove out. Evening as usual Children's lessons a game or two at Chess with Henry and then the violin for an hour. Ed. Mas. a few chapters of the Spanish Person, and then to sleep. I at home all day. Got the piano forte out without the least injury. Drawing Children's lessons &c as usual. Drove in and out. At the Council 1 till 5 1/4

It was quite dark when I reached Newtown. July
 Drove in and out - At the Council I till near
 5. Not quite so cold as yesterday - Walked 11
 in and out with Henry. Have been with Mr.
 Perkins every day this week except Wednesday
 I was to have dined with him that day but
 feeling disinclined I sent an excuse and
 remained at home with the children, Miss
 Drawing Miss and Ed Blas. The breakfast
 to the Bishop was given this day at 2 o'clock.
 Ray was with us looking round the room.
 Swifkinson called to ask me to lend my
 Violin to Ravae who was staying with Prout.
 I promised to let him have it on Monday.
 Got new straps to our watches and bought
 a book of instructions for the Pians fork.
 At home all day. The Governor called about 12
 2 o'clock to speak to me about the salaries of
 the new App^{ts}. He remained I suppose half
 an hour. Prater called and I accompanied
 him to dine with Perkins. Only ourselves.
 I drove in, taking the Violin, which I sent to 13
 Ravae. Prater and I dined at Wibbs after
 The Council adjourned to Tuesday 28th but
 as Prater's till time then went to Prout's where
 Ravae and a small party had assembled.
 He played the "Carnival de Venice" and some
 other pieces upon my Violin. I came home in
 a cab. The Roads are in a dreadful state.
 Edmund drove the cab to my home. Walked 14
 in late a beautiful day.

Bar.
 30.85

July 15 Walked in and out after hearing Eliz.
 say her lessons and Charles read a little in
 his primer. Spelling book of which he
 seems very proud. The Mercury stood higher
 by 2 or 3 tenths of an inch than I had ever
 seen it at was at 8 o'clock and indeed
 all day at 30.9 in the Barometer. Very
 cold but sunny. The grassy parts of the
 ground were covered with the White frost.
 It appeared as thick as snow.
 16. Walked in and out. Engaged upon
 Kentish's case from 11 till 2. Mary & Eliz.
 in the evening Violin and reading.
 Beautiful 17th Drove in and out. Received my Bank
 Weather. Back from Darn. Walked for half an
 hour before dinner with Henry.
 A little 18th Walked in and out with Henry.
 rain in Got my Violin back from Prout's and
 the evening. Walker brought it home in the evening.
 Very cold 19th at home all day - hot tempting weather
 for going out of the house. Dull and cold
 the family at Church. Drawing. Read Events,
 prayers and lessons - afterwards two of Blair's
 sermons.
 20. Walked in and out. Accepted a bill of Fletcher
 and for his accommodation for £55 at 3 Mrs.
 Evening. Children's lessons. Violin and English
 letters. At the Exhibition they were looking
 down the pictures. At Finance Committee
 End Power, North and Kay touching their
 duties.
 21 Walked in and out. Got Fletcher's acceptance

to my bill for £62 which I sent to the Com^r.
Bank to replace one for the same amount due
tomorrow - At the Finance Committee Even^g
Children's Lessons - Chp with Henry. Victor
Walked in and out - A beautiful mild 22"
Sunny day after a misty rainy morn^g
Put the Case of Teneniffe in the cellar and
tapped it. Drove in and out a fine day
but colder than yesterday - 23
Drove in and out Sent my acceptance to
the Com^r. Bank for £385 ^{Commenced really} Nichols & Son 4
Walked in and out - Bought a few Books 25
of Westcott.
In the afternoon at Church with Henry.. - 26
Eliza and Charles. While there a heavy
shower of rain fell - It had been threatening.
all day. Walked in and out a beautiful 27
morning. I looked at a horse belonging to
Bethune that Mr. Mauley had shown to
me about - but I could not purchase, I was
in some measure deterred from buying by
the volubility of the groom.
Drove in and out. Attended Court 28
Dined with Bicheno. Steady rain and 29
it continued all day. Drove Edward in Rain
and out. Children's Lessons. Finance Committee.
at 3. A man of the name of Barker paid
me £3.15 being a quarter's rent in advance
for a moiety of the Brick Field. to the 31 Oct^r
continuing to rain at home all the morn^g 30.
Children's Lessons. Victor. Unfortunately, I have Rain

Nichols
Astbury
Bicheno

1846 to dine at Government House to day and
shall find some difficulty in getting
there. Sent Correll into town for a lab which
got out to the house at 6 exactly. It rained
all the evening - The Officers of the 54th were
there and the following civil & staff Off^{rs}
to meet them. Bicheno, Sir John Pender, the
Attorney General. Solicitor ^{do} ^{Porter} ^{Smith}
Chamf, Fraser, Monarty, ^{Major Victor}
Comm^r of Madras, D. Robertson
Got home before eleven.
31. Drove in early, at the Caveat Board from
10 till past one, hearing Pitcairn & Allport
making a difficult subject more compli-
cated still. Allison, Applicant for a
Grant, and Gatenby against its issue.
August. 1 - Drove in after hearing the Children's Lessons.
Showery - returned earlier than usual and attended
to Elizabeth - The Lalla Rookh came in
from England in 108 days. She having
sailed the 14 or 15 of April - No letter for me
and as to news, I have heard none. Roger &
his son Francis called. I did not see them
being at the time engaged with the Col. Sec^t.
Much Rain - 2. It rained through great part of the night
and all the morning. The family all at home.
Bicheno - Heard Henry and Elizabeth read for 3/4 of
an hour. Sir John Pender the other evening
remarked upon the growing expansion of

Pickens - He feeds heartily and though his August
takes little or no exercise his official duties
seem never to be alloyed by subsequent
soreness. There he sat opposite the Governor
fat and smiling with a heart overflowing
with Epicurean philanthropy - He must
shrink & shrink & suffer in the end by this
Kind of life - At present however he is
free from apprehension and relies with
perhaps overweening confidence upon the
strength and soundness of his digestive
powers. I come in and out looking with me. In the 3.^d
afternoon I left a card at Gov. Home. Walked 11.
in attended the Canal Board to give our
decision in the case of Allison the applicant
& Gatenby who put in a caveat. It rained in Rain
the course of the day and I was in consequence
forced to take a Cab out. Children's Lessons -
Til 12.30 with Henry - a game or two of Clubs
with him and then the Violin for an hour or
two - Drove in - J. Walker called upon me. He 5.
had some questions to put ~~about~~ concerning
his grant deeds and handed him over to
Dumhall - accordingly. I was with Pickens
from 1 till past 3. Saw a Despatch from Mr.
Glades to the L. Gov. referring to the
£24,000 promised by the Treasury in aid of
our expenditure for Police and Gaols and
enjoining him to make sufficient provision
in the Estimates in future for the Expend and
to abide by the vote. This by no means what
most men would esteem a satisfactory Despatch

Police and
Gaols £24,000.

Mark!
Mem.
Despatch
£24,000.

but His Excellency is in an agreeable humor
according to my friend B. - The Despatch
was received on Saturday the 1.st instant.
Shown to Dean and spoken of by his Wife
but not a word was mentioned about to
Pickens by Sir Eadley and in fact the
former knew nothing of it till he saw
copious extracts from it in the L. Gov.
paper the Spectator this morning - Soon
after which the document was sent down
to his office to be acted upon

Trin and
Sunny
but cold.
Thick dull
warm.
Rain.

6.th Drove in - picked up our Clergyman
Forster and put him down in Maynard
Street.
7.th Walked in and out - It rained all the
way more or less but never heavily. I say
dear Henry's birthday - he has now com-
pleted his 13.th year. God grant him health
and happiness through the next and all
succeeding years till it shall please the
almighty to take him to himself - I
called upon my old acquaintance Poppi
at the Maynard. Sat some time with
him - asked him and his son Francis
to come out and see us but they declined
under the intimation of going off to Hamstead
by the coach on Tuesday next. Poppi said
he was 67 or 69 years of age.

Fine
Mist
Astronomy

8.th Drove in and out - The weather was mild
comparatively. Edw.^d took home the Chair
and service and was about 10.30. Took
the Chair home. Finished Richard's Astronomy

at home all day Cold and Showery. 9 August.
 Drove in and out between the Showers. The 10.
 Pyrie had arrived from England. She dined
 about the middle of March. A letter from
 Wimpfen dated the 14 of that month. Ellis
 unwell but in tolerable spirits. Poor James
 Chaplin is sinking fast. Power called to
 speak to me about Kuntish's abuse of power.
 He said he intended in the first place to write
 privately to Dickens urging upon him that
 the Govt ought to protect us; and then if
 no disposition to do what he Power deemed
 right, should be manifested, his next step
 will be to write officially ~~and~~ to the Govt.
 through the Col^d Secretary. and if this course
 should produce nothing satisfactory to
 request as a final measure that the correspondence
 may be submitted to the Secretary of State.
 Now Power it is my belief has no intention
 of following this business up in the way he
 mentions but will express himself satis-
 fied with the slightest acknowledgment
 from Mr. Girdley. The whole thing lies in a
 nutshell. Kuntish would never have dared
 to write as he has done if he had not known
 fully well the character and disposition of
 the man to whom he addressed himself.
 Kuntish is either a madman or a scoundrel
 and the other. — Partridge's features —
 Last evening finished Nichols's Ashmole's
 a Book in which I have felt much interested

Nichols's
 Ashmole's
 Ashmole's
 Fine

See W. Russell's observations and those of
 his son in the upon the whole are the
 groundwork of the Book.
 11. Drove in and out. Fine sunny morning
 no rain or snow after 8 1/2. At the Council
 from 1 till near 3.
 12. Drove in and out. Council 1 till 5. —
 13. Walked in and out. — — — — —
 home a ton of Coals that Walker purchased
 at auction last Monday.
 14. Walked in and out. Drove the first
 time. It was thick having been no doubt
 shaken up by the clumsy fellows who
 brought in some potatoes the other day
 15. Walked in and out. Purchased
 Miles, Bland's Algebra and Day's also the
 latter was lent me by Graham some time
 ago to whom I returned it after keeping
 it a month or two. Since that of course he
 has sold it! perhaps to furnish a little
 outfit for his poor boy who sailed a few
 days since for India with the 54th in
 which Gallant Regt. The younger is an
 aspirant for Renown. He is already a
 Lance Corporal.
 16. My legs will not permit me to walk
 except in great pain. many boots but
 those open at the toes. Mary and the Child.
 Drove at Church. Soaking my feet and
 reading the prayers and lessons of the day

Fine.
 Coals.

Wine.
 Freezings
 Man and
 or anything

Very
 fine
 day.

Very fine
 day.
 The 5-3.

Walked in and out. Lest Dickens the 17th August
Chestnut for a days ploughing. At the Fine
Council from 9 till 4 - Walked in and 18th do
out - At the Council 1 till 5 1/4. Drove in 19th dears
after hearing the girls there upon Council Rain in
1 till 4 1/4. Drove in - Beautiful morning 20th Shillegat

Called upon and left a Card for Col. Campbell. Very
At the Council 1 till 3 - Walked home I fine
sent things down to Treasurers that he might
see if the Whuels were safe. Edward drove
home - Walked in and out. I see Dickens 21st
every day with few exceptions. Walked in 22nd
and out - Barker my Quirk field man ~~asked~~
requested that I would allow another man
who was going to work for him to put up a
second hut upon Barker's portion which
I assented to. I have some indefinite mis-
givings that I have acted in cautiously. yet I
cannot see at present any mischief likely to
arise. My suspicion was raised by Barker's
thanks for my kindness and I cannot tell
why he should have been so profuse.

At home all day much disordered by a cold 23rd
in the head and chest. It has been coming on very
these two days - Two or three light Spring fine
showers. But the Baro. was not affected
by them. Messrs. Evans called to speak about
his Bank acct. The manager pressed for a
settlement. E. proposes that Fletcher and
I should draw upon him for the amount
£200/ at six months - which we have since
done and I have no doubt we shall have to pay
the money when due - But what was to be done

1846. If we had not renewed our obligation by
the Bill we must have paid the money down.
Saw Arthur ^{on 14th}. He was crabbed rather because he
called upon me a day before he sailed for
Adelaide and I did not return the visit. I
wish he was among the Persians or the
Chinies - The ~~at~~ riding passion still strong
upon him - Self and money -

Aug. 24th Walked in and out. At the Council 1 till
Monday 2 3/4. Sir Cauley walked down to the Council
with me and then said on his way "You
know your son could not be in the Post
Office / nobody but Sir E. had said he was /
for Mr. Lee is not put out of his situation."

They wanted me to discontinue him at once
saying that he was seen talking half a
Crown out of the drawer - but I would not
do that. I appointed a Committee to enquire
into the business and I have not ^{yet} received
their report. It would be very hard to turn
out a young man upon the mere representa-
tion of the Postmaster General who cannot
keep the business in order. I never heard of
such mismanagement. A parcel of people
receiving money who can tell whether it is
paid over to the public or not. No wonder
that revenue from the post Office is falling off.
p. 1. My son is going to learn the
place in at present holds in the controllers

Office. We ~~have~~ must take care of ourselves first
 you know. - I have got a better situation for him -
 and as soon as he leaves you son shall have
 his place I will speak to the Controller about it
 it is only £120 a year you know but that is
 better than nothing. How old is your son?
 Ten and twenty - Oh indeed I thought he
 was not above 17 or 18! He has been in two
 or three public offices and in the Survey alti-
 gether. Sea or Seven Years. I replied - Very
 well then that place will suit him, it is
 in an inner room when the business is
 chiefly confined to letter writing. So it
 ended. I walked in with Lukin. It 25 Aug.
 looked like rain and indeed there had been Showery
 a Shower. I returned in a Cab. Evening Heavy
 rain. Very cold but on Monday Rain
 Mary and three youngest Child in Town.
 at home, employed upon the answers 26 Rain
 to Queries which I must send by the
 "Mayflower" to sail on Monday or at
 least some day next week. She is all
 ready I hear. ~~Went to see~~ Drove in early 27
 to attend the Cavendish Board. No care after
 all. ~~Went to see~~ Lukin came out with me. *Pickens showed me a common signature of his to the Duke of Devonshire*
 Walked in and out. Finished my answers
 to Queries. They are ready for transcription 28
 by the Mayflower. Walked in and out. 29
 rec'd a note from Rains asking Lukin to
 come and assist him at the Office, which I

Council all present to Tuesday Sept 2

promised he should do. Pickens read &
 Queries approved the answers to the Queries. He
 Mr. Pickens signed them. Walked before dinner with
 Rain Henry and Charles round the shore till the
 rain drove us home.
 Rain 30. at home all day. Cold and drizzling
 Wind N.E. Intend to have dined with
 Pickolls Fraser at Pickens's but the weather and
 Asthenomy my cold together prevent it. I sent Henry
 Webster over to him with a note and took the
 opportunity of returning Pickolls Astro-
 nomy to him.
 31 Drove in and out. I did not see Pickens.
 Sept. 1 Drove in and walked out. Edward drove
 home. The big home
 Lukin and 2. Lukin attended the Comptroller General,
 Comptroller of the Customs Very fair
 Very fair office for the first time at Rains's request.
 Any who wrote to me on Friday for the pension.
 3 Rather Squally with Showers. Drove in
 and out - brought Lukin home. Heard a
 Showery few days ago that Chester Wilnot was
 about to marry Julia Soell. He is a
 bold youth if at all aware of the extent of
 the risk he runs in making this connection.
 I heard from Pickens of a married Lady's
 intemperate habits and the sequence of
 her last debauch!!
 Rain 4 Disagreeable weather rain alternating
 with

with had. at home all day. Admired Sept.
 with Dickens and Fletcher only - Went
 and returned in the fig. Drove in and out 5.
 Yesterday I changed the place of the tail piece
 and founding part of my Robin and put on
 new strings and a new Bridge. I cannot
 yet determine if any improvement had
 been effected - but certainly an alteration
 in the tone is very perceptible. At home
 all day - Alford, reading Mr. May and the C.
 Children were deterred by the threatening
 appearance of the weather from going to
 Church. It was showery all day but mild
 and like April weather in England. The
 Mayflower is not yet gone but expected
 to sail on Tuesday morning. Walked in. Y.
 and out. a very fine day - Wrote to Will and sent
 him the second Bills of Ex. for £6500. "Mayflower"
 expected to sail at midnight - Mary wrote to
 Winifred by this ship. The Mayflower sailed. S.
 at Daylight this morning. Walked in and
 out a beautiful morning and day At the
 Council 1 to 2. adjourned to 10.th
 Cloudy morning - Walked in and out. Saw 9
 Graham. He called upon me and talked for
 half an hour about his Com. Business as
 usual. In fact he has no knowledge or ideas
 upon any other subject. I hardly ever before met

"Mayflower"
 for England

1846 a man with so little general information.
 I sent Mr. Dickens the Chestnut Horse for a
 day or two.
 Sept. 10 Walked in and out. At the Council from
 1 till 5 1/2. Walked to Fort. Spence with Sir E.
 he asked me to join himself and O'Connor
 at dinner - but I declined and it was well
 I did for the rain came down in torrents
 in the evening and through the night ^{long} but home
 Heavy Rain - 11 Drove in and out at the Council from 1
 till 4 1/2.
 12th Drove in with Henry. Saw Dickens.
 Showery. He sent me a dinner card for Tuesday but
 thinking I should have to meet some of the
 new members of Council I declined.
 Rather Squally - 13th Fine morning - Fresh breeze but the
 mercury seems to be falling a little - Mary
 the two girls and Henry at Church. Charles
 not having a shoe to his foot remains at
 home.
 14 Walked in and out. At the Council.
 15 do - at the Legislative Council from
 1 till 5. The understanding between
 16 Sir E. and some of the unofficial members
 of Council is very apparent and reflects
 no credit upon his Excellency. If several
 of the ~~long~~ questions upon the ~~business~~

~~should necessarily first~~ - particularly there
 by the post-boy Allison about Buchanan's Con-
 Stables and then by O'Connor as well as
 the proposal about the Caveat Comm^o Salt
 as Clerk of the Council, Treasurer & Auditor
 were not ~~away~~ but with Su Canally's knowledge
 and consent if not, at his suggestion, I am
 very much mistaken - O'Connor upon one
 occasion actually arranged his ideas and
 expressed ~~himself~~ ^{themselves} in the same words that
 the for^r had done when talking to me the
 day before upon the same subject. What
 all we to say of such a Council? The Head of
 the Gov^t who ought to be united most
 cordially and firmly with his Officers who
 ought to be identified with them upon all
 fair and honorable occasions. to lead him-
 self to a set of men of the lowest class, at
 least in manners and education, for the
 purpose of humiliating those Officers and
 injuring them in pure and reputation by
 attacking their emoluments of office established
 for years and ^{2^d} ~~completing~~ by representing
 them as old women of no use to him ~~or~~
~~for any body~~ except to clog the wheels of his
 Government and bring blame & censure upon
 his administration. Yet this has been ^{his course} not
 only upon the occasions just mentioned but

Sept^r ever since he had been in the Colony. At the
 Council from 1 till 5 -
 Repairs 17. Walked in and out - Council till 5 1/2
 of House - Rain on my way home. The workmen began
 Rain - upon the Ceiling of the large Drawing Room
 18. Walked in with Charles a fine morning
 but threatening Rain - Sir Mamma & Sister
 came in before I went to the Council - I was
 not late there.
 19. Walked in and out, at home early - The
 Cart brought out 4 doz of Porter from Wallis
 and 4 doz from Tracey's. The whole was
 taken into the Cellar under my Supervi-
 sion. 8 Churn B. tendence - I found remaining in the
 48 Port. piled Cellar among other things / See Traquin /
 24 old ma.
 24 Pontar 20. A beautiful day the weather cannot be
 12 Claut. finer than it is - Warm and Sunny. I took
 Bus. 30. 6 Henry Elizabeth and Charles round the
 Thru. 56. Shore and over the promontory home
 Elizabeth 21 The weather as beautiful as it was yes-
 terday. Quite warm - My dear Elizabeth's
 Birth day. She enters her 10th Year. I walked
 in and bought her a doll and Charles a
 Chest of Tools - Evans took a Chop with us.
 walked & Swanton
 not me out 22. At the Caveat Board - Drove in and
 walked out. At the Council 1 till 3.
 23. Walked in and out. At the Caveat Board.
 Council 1 till 5.

Drove in and walked out - at the Caveat Board. 24 Sept.
Boat till noon - no Council - Saw the
external pageant of polling for Council.
under the Municipal Act. I walked
down with Dickens -

Drove in early - at the Caveat Board.
Then at Council for half an hour. After
the business was finished. Sir E. 25 Sept.

He saw a paper from his pocket and read it. Sir E.
The purpose was to announce his recall.
He had received the Despatch by the
Children. He was much agitated towards
the close of his address, when he spoke of
the kindness he had received from many
in the colony. - Walked in late after 26.
hearing Elizabeth her lessons and giving
Henry a few questions in Algebra. Finished
reading the Despatch to the Governor. It is
an elaborate production embodying the
heads of all the reigning prejudices, predilec-
tions, and opinions, upon the subject of Convicts &
Convict Discipline and the means of effecting
their reform through the instrumentality
of Religious and moral training. Poor Sir E.
could he have known before he started from
England that he had been selected by St. Stanley
as the chief instrument in the "solution of one
of the most difficult of social problems" perhaps
with all his conceit and ^{self} confidence he would have

hesitated before the acceptance of the official honor
of the Gov. and embarked upon the boundless
and turbulent ocean of difficulties with which
that honor was ^{attended} ~~sacred~~ - The Chief Justice
came in while I was with Dickens and I
took advantage of the opportunity and
walked off -

Extracts from the Local Despatch.

"Dow. S. 30 April 1846."

"It becomes my painful duty to
announce to you that Her Majesty has been
pleased to dispense with your further
services in the administration of the Gov.
of New Denmark's Land."

At the date of his app. a new method
of dealing with the prisoners of the colony had
been determined upon. "It was brought into
use for the purpose of affording a solution to
one of the most difficult of social problems.
It was to be tried under circumstances of
the utmost severity not such as slaves
would have tolerated with adaptation to its
and experimental state
but as was determined by the exigencies
of the Mother Country." "The new system was
adopted not with a view to its economical but
moral purposes" 27 Sept. 1846